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HAPPY HOLI

SPADEX MISSION ACHIEVES MAIDEN UNDOCKING, NEXT DOCKING IN APRIL

Indian Space Research Organisation recorded its first successful undocking as part of the Space Docking Experiment (SpaDeX) mission

PAVES WAY FOR CRUCIAL FUTURE MISSIONS

The two light weight satellites, SDX-01 (the chaser) and SDX-02 (target) successfully separated almost a month-and-a-half after it was scheduled to be achieved. With this success, ISRO is now bracing for its future missions — Chandrayaan-4, Bhartiya Antriksh Mission, manned space mission Gaganyaan, and Man on Moon mission

ANNOUNCEMENT AFTER 3-HOUR ASSESSMENT

- Although the undocking happened around 9.20 am, ISRO announced on 'X' only at 12.21 pm, after assessing all parameters
- ISRO monitored operations from Bengaluru, Lucknow, and Mauritius. Satellites' independent ops, sensors, and components are being analysed, said ISRO Chairman V Narayanan | **P5**

460 KM

ABOVE EARTH, THE TWO MINI SATELLITES WERE SUCCESSFULLY SEPARATED

CHENNAI ▪ MADURAI ▪ VIJAYAWADA ▪ BENGALURU ▪ KOCHI ▪ HYDERABAD ▪ VISAKHAPATNAM ▪ COIMBATORE ▪ KOZHIKODE ▪ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM ▪ BELAGAVI ▪ BHUBANESWAR ▪ SHIVAMOGGA ▪ MANGALURU ▪ TIRUPATI ▪ TIRUCHY ▪ TIRUNELVELI ▪ SAMBALPUR ▪ HUBBALLI ▪ DHARMAPURI ▪ KOTTAYAM ▪ KANNUR ▪ VILLUPURAM ▪ KOLLAM ▪ TADEPALLIGUDEM ▪ NAGAPATTINAM ▪ THRISSUR ▪ KALABURAGI

Stalin emerges as the anchor of Opposition unity

Karnataka & Telangana govts, BRS, YSRCP, BJD to attend Chennai meet on delimitation

Revanth to consult party brass

Telangana CM Revanth Reddy said he would attend the Chennai meet after taking permission from the high command. A DMK delegation led by minister K N Nehru met him in Delhi on Thursday and extended an invitation

Siddu to send DKS for event

Delegations of DMK leaders met K'taka CM Siddaramaiah, former AP CM Jagan Mohan Reddy and BJD's Naveen Patnaik, who assured their support. Siddu deputed Deputy CM D K Shivakumar for the Chennai meeting | **P5**

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

WITH several political parties extending support to the DMK government in Tamil Nadu in its fight over the proposed delimitation of parliamentary constituencies, Chief Minister M K Stalin appears to be emerging as the voice that binds the non-BJP parties on the issue.

Congress-ruled Telangana and Karnataka governments, opposition BRS in Telangana, former Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik's BJD, and former Andhra Pradesh CM Jagan Mohan Reddy's YSRCP are some of the parties that have confirmed their participation in a meeting convened by Stalin on March 22. Spearheaded by Stalin, the coming together of political parties is widely seen as a show of Opposition unity against 'delimitation'.

On Thursday, Telangana CM Revanth Reddy said he would attend the Chennai meeting after taking permission from the Congress high command. "I welcome M K Stalin's stand. I have to get permission from the Congress high command to attend the meeting. In principle, I have agreed to attend," Reddy told reporters.

Earlier this month, Stalin had written to the chief ministers of seven states, including Reddy, to form a joint action committee against the delimitation exercise. The Chennai meeting is seen as a first step towards 'unified action' against any move by the Centre to implement delimitation of Lok Sabha constituencies in a manner that will cut down the representation of states that have successfully implemented population control.

Though the BRS in Telangana keeps a distance from both the Congress and the BJP, BRS leader K T Rama Rao on Thursday confirmed it will attend the meeting. A DMK delegation also extended an invitation to Andhra Pradesh's ruling TDP and a key ally of the NDA government. According to sources, the party said that it will discuss the matter with CM Chandrababu Naidu and take a call.

2024 LOGO

2025 LOGO

RUPEE SYMBOL AXED

Intensifying the language showdown, the TN govt on Thursday replaced the Devanagari rupee symbol with a Tamil letter in its logo for Friday's TN budget | **P5**

PLAYING WITH COLOUR

Children celebrate Holi, a day ahead of the festival, in Karnataka's Chikkamagaluru on Thursday | PTI

ED launches money laundering probe, raids 8 places in B'luru

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

GOLD SMUGGLING CASE

AFTER the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) and Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), the Enforcement Directorate (ED) has launched an investigation into the high-profile Bengaluru gold smuggling case.

Officers of ED raided eight places in the city and other areas on Thursday as part of their money laundering investigation. The ED launched its probe after registering a case under the Prevention of Money laundering Act (PMLA), taking cognisance of the CBI's FIR and DRI's investigation after the arrest of actor Ranya Rao and her close associate Tarun Konduru Raj.

Ranya Rao

A team of four officers raided Ranya's Lavelle Road residence in the morning and seized some crucial documents. An Enforcement Case Information Report (ECIR) under PMLA has been registered in New Delhi on charges of money laundering.

As investigations by CBI and DRI indicated a possible hawala scam, the ED launched its investigation. It is also looking into violations of Foreign Exchange Law by the accused. Through the hawala route, money was being sent to Dubai from where gold bars were sent to India. A team of CBI officers raided Ranya's residence on Monday.

The ED officers also searched a place in Koramangala. However, it is not clear if this place belongs to Ranya.

Meanwhile, the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence officers raided nine places, including Koramangala and Indiranagar, in the city.

The CBI registered the FIR on March 7 based on a complaint by Dr Abhishek Chandra Gupta, Additional Director of DRI, Headquarters. In his complaint, Gupta stated that after the arrest of Ranya on March 3, two foreign nationals were arrested in Mumbai airport on March 6 for attempting to smuggle 21.28 kg of gold worth Rs 18.92 crore. These two cases pointed to a possible smuggling syndicate operating from Dubai. He also stated that this may have larger national and international ramifications.

Due to the possibility of involvement of some government officials and others, Gupta requested the CBI to investigate the case. **P4, P9**

B'luru to host BJP natl executive council meet

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE BJP is likely to hold its National Executive Council meeting in Bengaluru between April 18 and 20, sources said. According to party insiders, the decision to hold the meeting in Bengaluru carries significant symbolism for the BJP's Mission South project. "This could indicate the party's shift in electoral strategy towards South India, with a focused effort on solidifying its base in states like Karnataka, where the Congress is in power now," a senior BJP leader told this newspaper.

Also on the agenda is announcing a new party president, sources said, adding that the new chief may be from South India, adding that female leaders may have an edge, in line with the party's policy of promoting women's participation in politics — from organisational roles to governance.

BJP's Andhra unit chief Daggubati Purandeswari is among the women leaders being considered. The other names doing the rounds include Union ministers Manohar Lal Khattar, Bhupendra Yadav and Dharmendra Pradhan. Also in the race are Dr Sudha Yadav, Vinod Tawde, Tarun Chugh, and Arun Kumar. There is also speculation about Sarbananda Sonowal and Kiren Rijiju, along with Sanjay Joshi and Ram Madhav being considered for the top party post.

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Pricey Starlink to target niche customers in India

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

ELON Musk-led Starlink may target niche customers in India due to its pricing, which is significantly higher than the services provided by Bharti Airtel and Reliance Jio. According to a report by Bernstein, Starlink's satellite technology offers advantages in remote areas but its high cost and potential speed variability make it less attractive to consumers in urban and semi-urban regions, where Airtel and Jio provide affordable and reliable broadband services.

Reliance Jio and Bharti Airtel have recently announced separate partnerships with Starlink to offer broadband services in India. Both companies have clarified that services will commence only after Starlink receives approval from the Department of Telecommunications (DoT).

Industry insiders say the DoT is likely to grant a licence to the Musk-led company soon. In fact, Union minister for Electronics & Information Technology, Ashwini Vaishnaw, welcomed Starlink to India through a social media post on Wednesday night. However, the minister later deleted the post.

Elon Musk

Meanwhile, the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India is yet to release its recommendations on the pricing and other modalities for satellite broadband. Reports suggest that the telecom regulator plans to recommend satellite broadband spectrum be allotted for five years instead of 20 years to assess initial market adoption.

COSTLY AFFAIR

	Starlink	Bharti Airtel		Reliance Jio	
Speed (mbps)	50-200	100	200	100	200
Initial upfront fees (₹)	52,242	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Per month fees (₹)	10,469	799	999	699	999
Tax and levies (%)	30	18	18	18	18
Total annual price (₹)	2,15,600	12,314	15,146	10,898	15,146

Koppal rape: Dip in foreigners' arrival in Hampi for Holi

KIRAN BALANNANAVAR @ Hampi

THE recent rape of two women, including a foreign national, and murder of a tourist from Odisha in Koppal district seem to have cast a shadow on the Holi celebrations in Hampi this time. Unlike previous years, not many foreign tourists have arrived in Hampi to celebrate Holi on March 15. After the Koppal incident, many tourists, especially foreigners, have cancelled their bookings with lodges, homestays and other tourism agencies in Hampi.

Virupakshi V Hampi, a tourist guide, said Hampi has many groups that organise special programmes on Holi. But they are not so enthusiastic now because of the decline in the flow of tourists. More than 2,000 foreign tourists used to visit Hampi to participate in Holi, which was popularised by the erstwhile rulers of Vijayanagara, he added.

Police said all safety measures have been taken to prevent any untoward incidents in Hampi. Additional police personnel have been deployed at all tourist spots in Hampi and surrounding areas for Holi on March 15. **EDIT: P8**

Policy directive out to launch Nuclear Energy Mission

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @New Delhi

THE Centre has issued a policy directive to launch the Nuclear Energy Mission (NEM) as part of the country's energy transition efforts. The mission focuses on research and development of new reactor designs and technologies. To achieve this, the government will allow private investors and sectors to participate in large-scale deployments of existing technologies.

In response to a query in the Lok Sabha, Dr Jitendra Singh, Minister of State for Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions and the PMO, said NEM necessitates capacity building, and to facilitate active partnerships with the private sector, amendments to the Atomic Energy Act and the Civil Liability for Nuclear Damage Act are being pursued.

Jitendra Singh

Dr Singh said a task force has been set up to review these amendments.

"The task force is examining aspects such as building, owning, and operating nuclear power plants by private sector; nuclear safety, security, safeguards, fuel procurement/fabrication, waste management, and spent fuel reprocessing," the minister added.

The government also plans to partner with the private sector to set up Bharat Small Reactors (BSR), with NPCIL floating a Request-for-Proposal to private industries. These reactors will be commissioned and operated by NPCIL but set up with private capital. "With ... private investment, it is expected that the strategy for scaling up the nuclear sector will send a strong signal to participate and plan for capacity and infrastructure expansion for nuclear-related projects...," he said.

The government is also working towards making Nuclear Power Projects (NPPs) eligible for climate finance, Dr Singh said.

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WEATHER
MIN 19°C | MAX 35°C
FORECAST: Scattered clouds.
Sunrise 06.27 am | Sunset 06.30 pm | Moonrise 06.38 pm | Moonset 06.23 am

TUNNEL ROADS, DOUBLE-DECKER FLYOVERS ANSWER TO CITY'S TRAFFIC WOES, SAYS DKS

'Rs 3,000 cr to build 300-km buffer roads along SWDs; Rs 9,000 cr to white top 1,682 km roads'

DCM DK Shivakumar makes a point in the Council on Thursday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

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THE Karnataka government has proposed several projects, including tunnel roads, double-decker flyovers, buffer roads, elevated corridors, and other infrastructure projects to ease traffic congestion in Bengaluru, Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar, who also holds the Bengaluru Development portfolio, informed the Council on Thursday.

Shivakumar was responding to Congress MLC Sudham Das during the Question Hour on measures taken to decongest Bengaluru city. Shivakumar said that he has taken the responsibility of Bengaluru seriously.

"Bengaluru is not a planned city like New Delhi. Only a few settlements like Malleswaram, Jayanagar, and Indiranagar are planned. Earlier, traffic congestion was controlled to some extent. Otherwise, the situation would have worsened. A notification was issued in 2006 to take up the Peripheral Ring Road project to control traffic congestion, but it did not move forward. The project cost was Rs 2,000 crore then, and now under the Bangalore Business Corridor, the cost has escalated to Rs 26,000 crore," Shivakumar said.

He said that when KJ George was the Bengaluru Development Minister, there was a proposal to build a steel bridge. "But it was dropped owing to objections. We are now paying the price for that decision," he said. As a solution to this problem, the government has proposed to build a 40-km-long tunnel road from east to west and from north to south, he said.

"This is the first time that such a project is being planned for Bengaluru. Tenders for the first phase will be floated soon. Altinok Engineering Inc (a Delhi-based consultancy firm) has prepared the Detailed Project Report, and the government has given its approval," he elaborated.

He said a 44.3-km-long double-decker flyover and Metro line are being built. "BBMP and BMRCL will bear the cost of this project in a 50:50 ratio. The cost of each km will be Rs 120 crore. A total grant of Rs 9,000 crore has been set aside for this project. We are now moving forward to control vehicular traffic through a signal-free elevated corridor," Shivakumar said.

Shivakumar said the government has proposed to build 300 km of buffer roads along rajakaluves, and Rs 3,000 crore has been allocated for this. "Road construction will be done through issuance of Transferable Development Rights (TDRs) in ITPL, Thanisandra, RR Nagar, and other parts. Notification has also been issued for the construction of a 7.8 km road from Hebbal to Hennur... 320 km of new roads are being constructed in Bengaluru," he explained.

On the white-topping of roads, he said a grant of Rs 9,000 crore has been set aside to white top 1,682 km of roads. These roads will last for 30 years, he claimed. "An additional Rs 2,000 crore has been received from the World Bank for the construction of 850-km-long stormwater drains. Of this, 480 km has been completed, and work on 175 km is underway. We will take up the work on the remaining 173 km in the future," he said.

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DK Shivakumar, Deputy CM

BBMP should ensure that waste is segregated properly before sending it to landfills. Deputy CM DK Shivakumar bats for Brand Bengaluru, but he is not able to find a permanent solution to the city's garbage problem

CK Ramamurthy, Jayanagar MLA

B'luru BJP MLAs raise garbage issue in Assembly

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

BJP legislators on Thursday alleged that garbage clearance has been affected in the city for the past three days.

Raising the issue in the Assembly during Zero Hour, Malleswaram MLA CN Ashwathnarayan said waste from Bengaluru being sent to the waste processing units at Mitaganahalli in Kannur Gram Panchayat has been stopped. People of Mitaganahalli and nearby areas stopped 500 trucks from entering the processing units, alleging that waste is not being disposed of properly.

Jayanagar MLA CK Ramamurthy later told *TNIE* that people of Mitaganahalli alleged that waste is being dumped at the landfill without segregation. This led to contamination of water in borewells and lakes. Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike should ensure that waste is segregated properly before sending it to landfills, he said.

Ramamurthy said the city faced similar problems earlier when people of Mandur and Mavallipura stopped garbage dumping in landfills there. The issue needs a permanent solution, he added.

"Deputy CM DK Shivakumar bats for Brand Bengaluru, but he is not able to find a permanent solution to the city's garbage problem," he said.

He said though the state government had announced that it would acquire 100 acres of land at four places outside Bengaluru for waste disposal, no steps have been taken in that direction.

Garbage dumped on a footpath on the Ring Road near Mallathahalli | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

LITTLE JOHNNY GOES TO PLAY

Two boys share an umbrella as they go out to play on Thursday. The temperature in the city continues to soar with pre-monsoon showers a few days ago bringing slight relief | VINOD KUMAR T

BWSSB sets national benchmark, gets BIS certification for quality

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THE Bangalore Water Supply and Sewerage Board (BWSSB) has set a national precedent by becoming the first water board in India to receive certification from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) for its piped drinking water supply management system. The recognition underscores BWSSB's commitment to providing high-quality drinking water and reinforces its role as a model for water utilities across the country, said DCM and Bengaluru Development Minister D K Shivakumar.

Following a comprehensive six-month evaluation, the BIS team commended the international standards implemented in Bengaluru's water supply system. BWSSB successfully met the rigorous criteria established by BIS, securing the prestigious certification for its efficient, safe and sustainable water management practices, according to a press release on Thursday. "Providing clean and safe drinking water to Bengaluru's residents has always been our top priority. It is a matter of great pride that BWSSB is the first organisation in the country to receive BIS certification for its water supply system," Shivakumar said.

He further highlighted how this accomplishment aligns with the Brand Bengaluru initiative, reinforcing the city's commitment to urban sustainability and excellence in public services.

"We uphold stringent standards for water quality and safety. This recognition strengthens Bengaluru's position as a model city for sustainable water management. BWSSB's dedication to maintaining international benchmarks sets an example for other water utilities nationwide. I congratulate the entire team for their outstanding efforts in achieving this milestone," he said.

BWSSB Chairman Dr Ram Prasath Manohar explained that the BIS certification encompasses the entire spectrum of water supply operations, including water intake from source, treatment, storage and pumping, distribution through the pipeline network, ongoing maintenance and quality assurance and consumer metering and billing.

EXPRESS READ

Brazil ministry, IIIT-B to work on e-governance

The Ministry for Management and Innovation in Public Services of Brazil (MGI) and the International Institute of Information Technology, Bengaluru (IIIT-B), have joined hands to promote digital governance as a key enabler of the digital economy. The MoU inked by the two entities aims to leverage digital public infrastructures and digital public goods principles. The first initiative will focus on implementing the Rural Land Wallet of Verifiable Credentials for rural landowners and landholders. This will include digitising documents related to Brazil's Cadastro Ambiental Rural (CAR) system. **ENS**

BU staff assn seeks Rs 50cr to pension funds

The Bangalore University Non-Teaching Employees Association has urged the university administration to allocate Rs 50 crore to the pension fund to ensure financial security for retired staff. In a letter addressed to the chancellor and treasurer, association president Shivappa P highlighted that since 2018-19, no funds have been added to the basic pension fund due to a decline in internal revenue following the bifurcation of Bangalore University. **ENS**

500 hearing aids to be distributed free of cost

Dr SR Chandrasekhar Institute of Speech and Hearing and Madhusudhan Sai Institute of Medical Sciences and Research, Muddenahalli in Chikkaballapur, have signed an MoU to provide comprehensive speech and hearing services. Routine hearing camps will be conducted through a mobile unit equipped with state-of-the-art audiological equipment. By November 23, the institutions plan to distribute 500 hearing aids to underprivileged individuals to commemorate Bhagwan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's 100th birth anniversary. **ENS**

POSTAL DEPT SHUTS ALL ITS ATMs ACROSS STATE

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

IN a blow to postal savings account holders across the state, the Karnataka Postal Circle stopped operations of all its ATMs from March 12. This is on account of the problems faced by its vendor in regularly loading the machines with cash.

A total of 75 ATMs operated by the Karnataka Postal Circle, including nine in Bengaluru, have shut shop now. A notice has been pasted outside the shuttered doors of the ATMs announcing the closure. It has been learnt through reliable sources that the public can withdraw cash using the postal department's debit card from the ATMs of banks and India Post is likely to pay any withdrawal charges if incurred after the free transactions get lapsed.

A notification issued by the department of posts states that many of the ATMs in the country are presently non-functional "due to technical issues attributable to the ATM vendor M/s AGS Transact Technologies Ltd which has failed to fulfill its service obligations." The order states, "While efforts are being made to reinstate the services offered by the department through various alternate solutions, customers are hereby requested to use the channels such as online banking, mobile banking or visit the nearest post-office for their transactions." The release added that the department was working to set right the issue.

Chief Postmaster General, Karnataka Circle, S Rajendra Kumar, told TNIE, "This is in line with the nation-wide decision. The cash loader was facing issues across the country. The notification was issued by India Post on Wednesday (March 12). We have closed our ATMs."

The decision would impact senior citizens the most as they either visit the post offices in person or use ATMs for cash withdrawal. Those in other age groups mostly have smart phones and carry out transactions using UPI or other online modes.

Hotels' assn opposes proposed milk price hike

Bengaluru: The Karnataka State Hotels Association (KSHA) has opposed the proposed Rs 5 per litre hike in milk prices and the revision of milk product rates, warning that this will severely impact the hotel industry and lead to increased beverage prices. In a letter to the government and the Karnataka Milk Federation (KMF), KSHA president GK Shetty highlighted concerns that the already high cost of coffee powder, combined with the proposed milk price hike, would leave hotel owners with no choice but to increase the prices of tea, coffee and other beverages. He stressed that the industry is already struggling with multiple challenges and this move could affect its survival. Emphasising that the hotel industry supports lakhs of families and contributes significantly to tax revenue, Shetty urged the government to immediately withdraw the proposal. **ENS**

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

14TH March: Taurus is my sign of the moment. I'm a great admirer of people born under this sector of the zodiac. Or, at least, of their finer qualities! You can do no worse than choose a Taurean to feature amongst your closest friends. They'll stand by you through thick and thin – and who could ask for more?

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Although a general atmosphere of confusion is still obscuring the truth, don't procrastinate over important issues. By giving people the impression that you could jump one way or the other you will only make matters worse. If you really can't decide, then at least keep them up to date with your thinking.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
You have worked too hard and sacrificed too much to allow anyone to get the upper hand or take you for a ride. Eventually, you will be in a position to persuade people of the truth of your cause, but first you've got to deal with your own lingering doubts!

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
The Moon's relationship with your second solar house is a marvellous indication that your financial cycle is about to improve. It is especially auspicious that a one-year cycle and an eighteen-year pattern are now coinciding in a most delightful manner.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
The Moon falls in a new sector of your solar chart, inaugurating a phase of dynamic optimism. At least, this is the most positive reading of your current celestial prospects. Just be prepared for the possibility that you'll have to do certain jobs yourself at work.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Spend a little time by yourself if possible. There is a great deal to be learnt from quiet contemplation and, in any case, you'll need to recharge your batteries. Your travel stars remain bright, but with an emphasis on visits to much-loved and familiar places.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
There's a great temptation to spend more than you can afford. I'd like to remind you that now is not necessarily the best time to make speculative gains. Indeed, gamblers will almost certainly be losers. The best risks are those taken with a complete understanding of the odds.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
No experience is wasted, and you should try to realise that all the testing experiences you are undergoing are designed to sharpen up your act. You may have to accept that a partner is bound to criticise or accuse you unfairly, but let's hope they'll listen to reason in the end.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
At last there are signs that you're getting your own way. In fact, very soon you ought to be covering a lot of new ground. The Moon's benign alignments will eventually send you off in search of extra excitement and adventure but first you need to sort out a small cash complication.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
In your solar chart, the emotional sign of Cancer represents your reliance on money as a means of guaranteeing your future security. Today's lunar picture implies that all will be well in this department. It also advises you to turn to people you've known for a long time, and can trust totally, for the best advice.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Your very personal affairs seem to have been in a state of flux ever since Mars, planet of energy and anger, set the cat among the pigeons at home, stirring up strange emotions amongst people you live with. You have one important task to complete, and that is to come to a partner's aid.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
In the long-term you can and will derive lasting benefits, even from enforced changes in your lifestyle. But the present phase of uncertainty is likely to continue until at least the beginning of next week. If you take a different perspective, then you'll see that when confusion reigns you have a chance to change your mind.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
You're famously tolerant, yet you do have to become more broad-minded about intensely personal or domestic issues. On the lighter side, before long you can expect to hear from loved ones you haven't seen for some time: you should appreciate the fact that they've been thinking about you.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle ⬇

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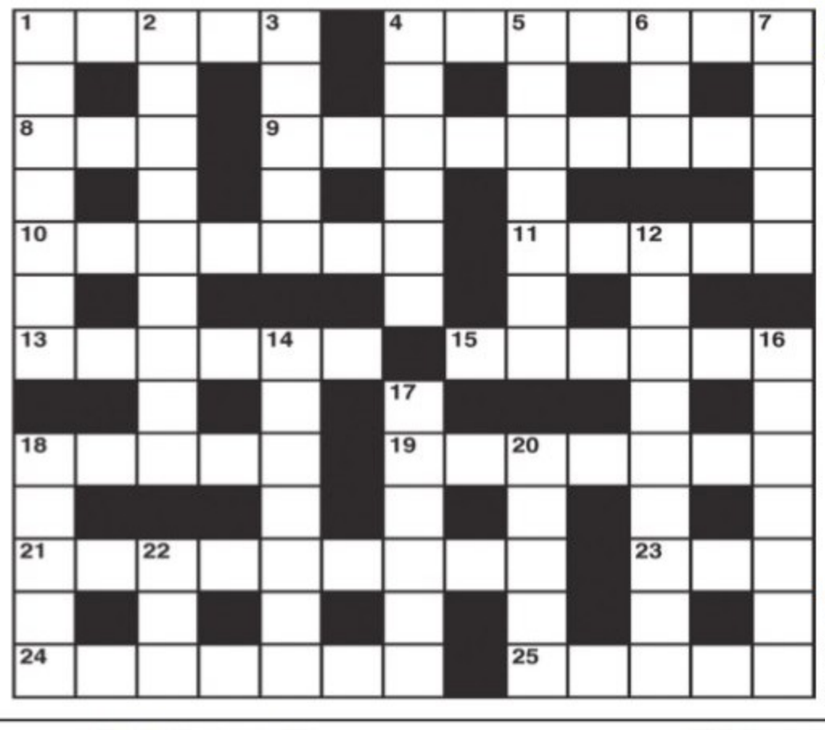

CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 He may be said to have got the message (5)
4 In fact a wild enthusiast (7)
8 A Roman quarte tretracing a Roman road (3)
9 If results go astray, efforts may well be (9)
10 Intend to appear in torn clothing (7)
11 A wild shot but a fine musketeer (5)
13 There's a change in the Old Testament (6)
15 A new bride's bits and pieces (6)
18 The code is a little bit abbreviated (5)
19 Old instrument for making wine nevertheless (7)
21 Her husband is likely to be much overrated (9)
23 Shorten an encyclopaedia entry (3)
24 Ran round a tree like lightning (7)
25 She makes two points about Western democracy (5)

DOWN
1 Parson by the lake daydreaming (7)
2 At one time he fought in spectacles (9)
3 Loot includes stock (5)
4 Inadequate number leave the faculty (6)
5 Chemical container sent up with speed (7)
6 One may start driving here (3)
7 Expenses legally incurred (5)
12 She'll bear unusual wild flowers (9)
14 It clears the vision but obscures the judgment (7)
16 Determined to attack (3,4)
17 Isolated area of land is redeveloped (6)
18 Tom's back with a stipulation for a logo (5)
20 Names grounds for development at a hearing (5)
22 Fresh air and water (3)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Contradict, 8 Fiery, 9 Mae West, 10 Raiders, 11 Opera, 12 Tags on, 14 Stupor, 17 Llama, 19 Polygon, 21 Station, 22 Ankle, 23 Minelaying.

Down: 2 Opening, 3 Thyme, 4 Almost, 5 Iceboat, 6 Theme, 7 St Lawrence, 8 First class, 13 Ovation, 15 Pigskin, 16 Spinal, 18 Alarm, 20 Leafy.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: OCTET CLUCK ADJUST CANNON
Answer: Whether savings, checking, etc., the bank manager said every — ACCOUNT COUNTS

The Karnataka High Court has exempted advocates from wearing black coats while attending proceedings in district and trial courts from March 15 to May 31 owing to heat

RESIDENTS TAKE TO STREETS OVER WOMAN'S ELECTROCUTION

Cops: Residents illegally connected motors pumps to electric lines

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

A mother of four was electrocuted when she tried to switch on the motor pump at her house near 1st Cross, opposite Vinayaka Theatre, Anandapura, early Thursday morning.

As news of the woman's death spread, residents blocked both sides of Mysuru Road under the Sirsi Circle flyover near the City Market in protest, accusing civic authorities of negligence. They also demanded that the local MLA, Housing Minister B Z Zameer Ahmed Khan, visit the spot.

The deceased has been identified as 58-year-old Selvi, a widow, from Tamil Nadu. She used to work as domestic help.

A police officer said the residents, who do not have water supply connections to their houses, have been drawing water from a nearby BWSSB pipeline using motors illegally connected to nearby electric lines.

Selvi (inset) died when she went to switch on a motor pump (above) that was illegally connected to electric lines

Around 5.30 am, Selvi went to switch on the motor to draw water when she came in contact with a live wire near the electric line and was electrocuted. She died on the spot, the police said.

Following her death, nearly a hundred residents blocked roads, raising slogans demanding proper water supply and justice for Selvi.

When Minister Zameer arrived at the spot, residents surrounded him and started questioning him, not giving him any chance to speak.

Speaking to reporters, the minister said the woman died while switching on the water pump to draw water from the BWSSB pipeline.

He added that ten days ago, a foundation-laying ceremony was held for the Cauvery water supply project to ensure piped water to every household. He claimed that residents in the area have been illegally constructing multi-storied buildings and using pumps to draw water directly from BWSSB pipelines illegally for their residences using motors.

As tension escalated in the locality, two platoons of Karnataka State Reserve Police (KSRP) were deployed to control the situation.

The police said a case of unnatural death has been registered.

SAREE CRAZE

Women throng the KSIC Silk Factory and Showroom after it announced 25 per cent discount on sarees, in Mysuru on Thursday | UDAYASHANKAR S

Woman basketball coach hangs self

Bengaluru: A 26-year-old woman ended her life by hanging at her house in Audugodi police station limits on Wednesday. The deceased, identified as Soniya, was a resident of Phothalappa Garden and worked as a private basketball coach. The police said Soniya's family members found her hanging in her room in the morning and alerted the police. No death note was found. The reason behind her death is yet to be ascertained, and her mobile phone has been sent to the forensic science laboratory, police said. An unnatural death report has been registered. **ENS**

HELPLINE

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Karnataka likely to extend retirement age of govt doctors

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THE state government is considering increasing the retirement age of doctors in super-speciality hospitals under the medical education department from the existing 60 years.

Interacting with doctors at Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research on Thursday, Medical Education Minister Dr Sharan Prakash Patil assured them that the government is serious about retaining experienced doctors by extending their service period.

Senior doctors at Jaya deva had highlighted that after spending nearly 35 years in medical training and education, they are left with only 20-25 years of service before mandatory retirement at 60.

"We have been discussing this issue for some time. To ensure better healthcare services, I will soon take up the matter with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and propose increasing the retirement age for doctors," the minister said.

Patil also announced that government doctors will soon be covered under an insurance scheme. "Currently, these doctors do not have any government-backed insurance, and the state is planning to extend the Jeevana Sanjeevini scheme, which is available under the health and family welfare department," the minister added.

To improve medical infrastructure, he said Jayadeva will receive additional funds to introduce robotic surgery. "To keep up with advancements in medical technology, we will equip Jayadeva with the best infrastructure. If Jayadeva cannot have the best, no other hospital in India can," he said.

To strengthen the institute, Patil announced plans for the establishment of five new operation theatres for pediatric cardiac surgery, a dedicated research department within the hospital, and the implementation of an e-hospital system with centralised digital medical records accessible to doctors. The minister also announced a salary hike for contract and outsourced medical and non-medical staff.

State sees over 1,500 pediatric cancer cases a year, doctors flag ultra-processed food

RISHITA KHANNA @Bengaluru

KARNATAKA has been reporting more than 1,500 cases of pediatric cancer annually, with blood cancer the most common form of the disease among both boys and girls, according to the Population-Based Cancer Registry in Bengaluru.

The statistics were highlighted by Medical Education Minister Dr Sharan Prakash Patil in response to a question raised in the Legislative Council. The response stated that chemotherapy is the primary mode of treatment for childhood cancers, used in 73% of cases. Around 12% of patients receive radiation therapy, mainly for brain and nervous system cancers, while surgical intervention is carried out in 7% of the cases. Modern treatments such as targeted therapy and hypnotherapy are also being introduced.

While genetics and environmental factors contribute to the rising cases, experts warned that dietary habits — particularly increasing consumption of ultra-processed foods (UPFs) — may be a major hidden culprit as many UPF items, like chips, carbonated drinks, which are loaded with refined sugar, trigger inflammation and disrupt hormones, all of which have been linked to cancer risk.

Dr Vishal Rao US, Group Director - Head and Neck Surgical Oncology and Robotic Surgery, HCG Cancer Centre, emphasised the need for a comprehensive study to determine which age group has the highest number of cases and where these children are from. This, he said, would help assess the available healthcare services and identify interventions.

Dr Rao pointed out that while cancer is often genetic, factors like microplastics consumption through food habits and ultra-processed food contribute to its development. Given this, there is a need for a thorough plan to guide policy decisions on cancer prevention, he stressed.

Dr Niti Raizada, Principal Director of Medical and Hemato Oncology, Fortis Hospital, explained that leukemia, especially acute lymphoblastic leukemia, is one of the most common cancers in children, followed by brain tumors and lymphomas. "Unlike in adults, genetic factors play a slightly bigger role in childhood cancers, though environmental factors also contribute. A major environmental concern is the impact of ultra-processed foods. These foods have been linked to obesity, diabetes, and heart disease, especially in adults. The longer a person consumes them, the greater the risk of health issues," she added.

Ultra-processed foods, doctors explained, contain harmful additives, high levels of sugar, unhealthy fats and preservatives that can lead to obesity, inflammation and other health issues and also increase the risk of various cancers, including breast and colorectal cancer. To reduce their consumption, experts emphasised that these foods should be priced higher, making healthier options more affordable and accessible as a higher price can discourage people from choosing ultra-processed foods frequently, pushing them toward fresh and natural foods that are better for long-term health.

Karnataka State Marketing Communication and Advertising Limited
(A Govt. of Karnataka Enterprise)
No. 42, MCA House, Millers Road, Bengaluru - 560 001.
No.: KSMCA/F&A/FD/32/2024-25 Date: 13.03.2025

SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Only through e-procurement)

KSMC&A Ltd. invites tenders through e-Procurement portal as per KTPP Act, 1999 from reputed Nationalized Banks to quote competitive rate of Interest for investment of Company's surplus funds in Fixed Deposit. Documents can be accessed from e-Procurement website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** Last date for submission of bids: **21.03.2025 up to 5.00 p.m.** Opening of Technical bid: **24.03.2025 at 11.00 a.m.** The management has the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons thereon.

Sd/- Managing Director

UJVN LIMITED
H.O.: "UJJWAL', Maharani Bagh, GMS Road, Dehradun-248006
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पत्रांक सं. 193 **E-Tender Notice** दिनांक 12.03.2025

Office of the Executive Engineer, Project Civil Maintenance- Dakpathar, UJVN Ltd., Dakpathar (Dehradun), invites online bids from interested parties. Brief summary of tender is given below:
Tender No. 23/EE/PCM-DKP/TN/2024-25.
Name of work: Strengthening work for bridge along Dakpathar Barrage and its Head Regulator bridge at Dakpathar, Dehradun.
Estimated cost: Rs. 4,83,84,473.00 (GST Extra).
Date of availability of bid document on website: From 17:00 hrs of 21.03.2025
Last date for submission of bids on website: Up to 17.00 Hrs of 26.04.2025
For fuller & further details, kindly visit e-procurement portal "https://uktenders.gov.in"
Executive Engineer, PCM-Dakpathar
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S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER

Area Manager, Santragachi, South Eastern Railway, Kharagpur Division acting through the President of India invites an open tender. through e-tendering in **www.ireps.gov.in** website as per details mentioned below. Eligible tenderers are requested to apply for the same through online only in **www.ireps.gov.in** website as per details mentioned below. No offline tender will be accepted. Please read the tender document uploaded in the document section for details. **Tender Notice No. : SRC-BioTR-25-DT-12-03-25**; **Name of the work :** Annual Maintenance and Operation Contract (AMOC) Bio Toilets in Santragachi & Padmapukur trains for a period of 03 years.; **Tender value :** ₹15,89,05,372.65 ; **EMD :** ₹9,44,500.00; **Closing Date of tender :** 03.04 2025 at 12.00 hrs. ; **Cost of tender document :** ₹10,000.00. (PR-1231)

Regional Plant Resource Centre
FOREST, ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
NAYAPALLI, BHUBANESWAR-751015, ODISHA , INDIA,
PHONE:91 674 2557925, E-mail: rprcbbsr@gmail.com
Website:www.rprcbbsr.in
R&D: 03/2025 Letter No.466 /RPRC. Date:13.03.2025

WALK-IN-INTERVIEW FOR PROJECT FELLOW/ LAB./PROJECT ASST

MM: Eligible candidates may attend a walk-in-interview at **10.30 A.M. onward on 25th March, 2025** (Registration/Reporting strictly from 9.00 A.M to 10.30 A.M) at Regional Plant Resource Centre(RPRC) for temporary positions of Project Fellow, Lab/ Project Asst. under State Plan Project for the year 2025-26. No T.A./D.A is permissible for attending the interview. Prescribed Application Form & other details can be obtained from RPRC website(www.rprcbbsr.in)/ RPRC Notice Board.

Sd/-
Administrative Officer
OIPR-08004/11/0031/2425

SAD DEMISE

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REGIONAL OFFICE WEST
Chitrapur Mutt Building, 15th Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru-560055, Karnataka.
Contact No: 7411509379/7022192698, Email: roblrwrec@canarabank.com

GOLD LOAN AUCTION NOTICE

Whereas the authorized officer of **CANARA BANK, REGIONAL OFFICE WEST BENGALURU** issued Sale notice(s) calling upon the borrower to clear the dues in gold loan availed by them. The borrower had failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned will conduct auction of the gold ornaments strictly on **"As is What is Basis" & "Whatever there is Basis" & "Without recourse Basis".** The auction will be conducted ONLINE through **https://egold.auctiontiger.net** on **21-03-2025 from 11:00 AM to 3.00 PM.**

Sl No	Branch Name, Code & Contact No	Name of the Borrower	Account No	Gross weight (in gms)	Net Weight (in gms)	Date of Inspection & EMD	EMD account details
01	NAGARBHAVI 3194 9483523194	GIRIJA C	1640314 44414	22.36	19.00	20.03.2025 & Rs.25000/-	GL - 209272434 IFSC CNRB0003194

Please contact /visit Branch for further information Ph No.7411509379/7022192698 Email: roblrwrec@canarabank.com
Date : 13.03.2025 Sd/- Authorised Officer,
Place : Bengaluru Canara Bank

Aeronautical Development Agency
(Ministry of Defence, Govt. of India)
PB No. 1718, Vimanapura Post, Bangalore-560017
ADA:ADM:EST:AD-130:2025 13-03-2025

Corrigendum to Advertisement No. ADV-130 dated 12-03-2025

With reference to ADA Advertisement No. ADV-130 dated 12-03-2025 published in this newspaper on 13-03-2025 regarding recruitment of Project Scientists at ADA.
2. The number of vacancies for EWS category for Project Scientist 'B' post as mentioned in para 2 of the advertisement is amended to read as Eight (8) instead of Nine (9) as advertised earlier.
3. All other details of the notification remain unchanged.
Director (Admin & HR), ADA

The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,
H.O, No.2, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560018.
Phone 26677552, 26679041
Estd:1927

POSSESSION NOTICE FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
[APPENDIX IV (RULE 8(1)]

Where as the undersigned being the authorised officer of The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited under the Securitisation and Reconstructionof Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules. at The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers in the following accounts having failed to repay the amount, notice is here by given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described here in bellow in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said rules on the dates mentioned herein below. The borrowers in particular and the public in general is/are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited for amount and interest on & other charges.

Date of Possession: 10.03.2025

Name of the Borrower/Surety & Description of the Property Mortgaged	Amount outstanding
Applicant: Sri K.M.Suresh S/o Sri K.M.Mudaiah **Surety: Smt C.Umadevi W/o Sri K.M.Suresh** All the piece and parcel of the eastern portion of the property bearing New No.40, Khanesumari No.155, in Old Sy.No.70/31, Situated at 3rd Main, Kamakshipalya, Bangalore, earlier known as Sanneguruvanahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, now comes under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore. BMP Ward No.18, Kamakshipalya, PID No.18-42-40, Measuring East to West: 27 Ft., and North to South: 26 Ft., totally measuring 702 Sq.Ft., and bounded on: East by: Road, West by: 3 Ft., common passage in the same property No.40 and the C and D schedule property of 3rd and 4th parties, North by: 4 Ft., breadth and 30 Ft., length of common passage in the same property No.40 for the access to the road and South by: Private Property.	**37,75,085/- + Int. thereon 10.03.2025**

Amount paid if any by any of the above borrowers after issuance of Possession Notice, would be reckoned for ascertaining the dues payable at the time of realisation / settlement.

Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,
Bangalore -18
Place: Bangalore
Date: 10.03.2025

International Institute of Information Technology
(Deemed University)
Prof. C.R.Rao Marg, Gachibowli, Hyderabad- 500 032

Notice Inviting Expression of Interest

The Registrar, IIIT-Hyderabad invites applications for expression of interest on behalf of Director, International Institute of Information Technology, Gachibowli, Hyderabad-500 032, from reputed eligible contractors (private) and appropriate class in Buildings & Roads category registered in any Govt.Departments of State / Central for the following work.

NIT No.	1/IIIT-H/Hostel/Registrar/2024-25 Dt.13-03-2025
Name of work	Construction of Boys Hostel Block (G+10) in IIIT-H Campus at Gachibowli, Hyderabad-500032 using shear wall technology.
Earnest Money (to be paid at the time of tender)	1% of tendered value.
Period of completion	12 Months

Interested applicants need to submit the technical data as mentioned in the website below. Based on the criteria, Institute will short list the qualified applicants and will issue tender for commercial bid.
Last date & time of submission via mail confirmation for technical : 25/03/2025 – 5:00PM
Last date & time of submission via hard copy of technical bids : 03/04/2025 – 5:00 PM
The detailed notification can be obtained from the website: **https://www.iiit.ac.in/pre-qualification-of-contractors-for-construction-of-boys-hostel-block-g10-using-shear-wall-technology-at-iiit-hyderabad-campus/**
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ICICI Bank
Branch Office: ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068

PUBLIC NOTICE-TENDER CUM E-AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET
[See proviso to rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable assets

E-Auction Sale Notice for the sale of immovable asset(s) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
This notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Limited will be sold on 'As is where is', 'As is what is' and 'Whatever there is' as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of E-Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Mr. Balisetty Viswanath (Borrower) Mrs. Guminani Hemasree (Co-Borrower) Loan Account Number LBBNG00005303407	All that piece and parcel of Schedule Property bearing Site No.72, Property No.106, situated at Munnekolalu, Ayyappa Layout, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Previously Bangalore South Taluk, Comes under BBMP Limits, Bangalore. Measuring East to West: 26.6 feet, North to South: 28.5 feet, total measuring 755 Sq. Feet and bounded on the East by: Site No.71, West by: Private Property, North by: 26 feet Road, South by: Private Property of bearing Property No.106.	Rs. 58,60, 730.45/- (as on March 10, 2025)	Rs. 30,00, 000/- / Rs. 3,00, 000/-	March 20, 2025, from 02:00 AM to 05:00 PM	April 03, 2025, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

The online auction will be conducted on the website (https://disposalhub.com). of our auction agency M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited The Mortgagors/ Noticees are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest by April 02, 2025 before 05:00 PM else the secured asset(s) will be sold as per schedule.
The prospective bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068 on or before April 02, 2025 before 05:00 PM Thereafter, they have to submit their offer through the website mentioned above on or before April 02, 2025 before 05:00 PM along with the scanned image of the Bank acknowledged DD towards proof of payment of EMD. In case the prospective bidder(s) is/ are unable to submit his/ her/ their offer through the website, then the signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at ICICI Bank limited, 1st Floor, West Wing, DSMG, Mythri Centre, Hosur Main Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068 on or before April 02, 2025 before 05:00 PM. Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalised/ Scheduled Bank in favour of 'ICICI Bank Limited' payable at Bangalore.
For any further clarifications in terms of inspection, Terms and Conditions of the E-Auction or submission of tenders, contact ICICI Bank Employee Phone No. 9844542086/8008999536.
Please note that the Marketing agencies 1. ValueTrust Capital Services Private Limited, 2. M/s. cardekho have also been engaged for facilitating the sale of this property.
The Authorised Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons.
For detailed Terms and Conditions of the sale, please visit www.icicibank.com/n4p4s

Date : March 14, 2025
Place: Bangalore
Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

QuoteExpress **IF YOU'RE GOING THROUGH HELL, KEEP GOING** › WINSTON CHURCHILL

Senior BJP leader BS Yediyurappa has advised party colleague MP Renukacharya to drop the idea of Lingayat conventions as such meetings can send wrong signals to the party cadre. However, Renukacharya said they are holding the conventions to organise the community and they are not political meetings

Oppn in Council wants guarantee panels scrapped

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

BJP and JDS members in the Council raised slogans against the Karnataka government, demanding scrapping of the Guarantee Implementation Committees. Leader of Opposition Chalavadi Narayanaswamy stated that the government admitted to giving Rs 40 lakh to agencies for the implementation of its guarantee schemes. "If you have given money to agencies, why are implementation committees needed?" he questioned.

Joining Narayanaswamy, BJP MLC CT Ravi pointed out that Rs 1 crore has been given to M2M organisation and Rs 9.25 crore to another organisation. "Why are these details kept hidden?" he asked.

Replying to Opposition MLCs, Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar said the government has paid Rs 9.25 crore to an organisation to provide various services, including evaluation of the implementation of guarantee projects. But the file related to this is not being disclosed.

JDS member TA Sharavana objected to minister NS Boseraju's answer, stating that information about this company was not provided in the answer to the House.

JDS member TA Sharavana in the Council on Thursday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

"After the guarantees were implemented in our state, guarantees were also given in Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, and Delhi. We are depositing money directly into the beneficiaries' accounts, omitting middlemen. Some agencies were given the responsibility to check whether the money is going from the bank to the beneficiaries' account properly. Some agencies were given the responsibility without tendering due to an emergency. About 1-2 per cent of this money has been used to check the projects with a huge budget of Rs 52,000 crore," replied the DCM.

Defending the move, he said, "They (agencies) check whether the schemes are reaching the deserving population and whether there is any misuse. The Opposition created a ruckus in the Lower House on the same issue. You do your politics, we will do our politics. Information available has been given. If there is still an answer hidden inside, it will be taken out and given to you in written form. If further discussion is needed on this issue, submit a separate proposal."

With Opposition MLCs demanding more clarity, Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti intervened and said 30 minutes would be provided for discussion on Friday.

Leader of Opposition R Ashoka addresses the Assembly on Thursday

Appeasement politics

LoP R Ashoka said Rs 150 crore has been given for development of Waqf properties, Rs 500 crore for Urdu schools, and Rs 1,000 crore for the scheme to develop colonies for minorities. "Muslims have also been given reservation on the basis of religion. This is not allowed in Dr Ambedkar's Constitution. Zameer also tried to increase reservation for Muslims under 2B category," he alleged. Only Rs 10 crore has been allocated for Jains, Buddhists and Sikhs.

LoP slams govt for diverting SCSP/TSP funds

Ashoka says funds being utilised for guarantees

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

LEADER of Opposition in the Legislative Assembly R Ashoka on Thursday alleged that Chief Minister Siddaramaiah diverted SCSP/TSP grants meant for the welfare of the Scheduled Castes (SC) and Scheduled Tribes (ST) to implement the guarantee schemes and other projects.

Citing the 2024-25 Action Taken Report (ATR), Ashoka said 80% of the development projects announced by the CM did not take off.

Responding to the budget for 2025-26, he said Siddaramaiah should rectify his mistakes in the implementation of 2024-25 budget proposals. The CM should announce that he will not impose any new taxes apart from those mentioned in the budget.

"There is a conspiracy to impose new taxes every month," he said. Siddaramaiah is likely to give his reply during the session on Monday.

Asserting that the funds meant for the welfare of SCs and STs were being diverted to the guarantee schemes, Ashoka sought to know whether the government could find out how many SCs and STs took free bus rides under the Shakti scheme. It is impossible to allocate money to the scheme on this assumption. This is a fraud on the SCs and STs, he alleged.

He demanded that the government provide information on spending Rs 42,000 crore earmarked for the welfare of the SCs. "Under SCSP/TSP, Rs 4 crore earmarked for the SCs has been spent on anganwadi buildings. Funds under SCSP/TSP have also been spent on tourism projects. How many SCs and STs have been benefited by this? A sum of Rs 34 crore has been given to the Green India Mission," he said.

Referring to housing minister Zameer Ahmed's demand that Rs 60,000 crore be allocated for the welfare of Muslims (14%), Ashoka said considering the population of the SCs and STs (24%), Rs 98,701 crore should be given to them. But they are getting only Rs 42,017 crore.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah gives his reply to the Opposition in the Assembly at Vidhana Soudha on Thursday | EXPRESS

Will present revenue surplus budget for 2026-27: Siddu

BENGALURU: Hitting back at the Opposition's allegation that the state budget 2025-26 was a flop show in terms of financial management, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Thursday asserted that he will present a surplus budget for 2026-27. "Last year, there was a revenue deficit of Rs 27,000 crore. This year, it has been reduced to Rs 19,262 crore. Next year, we will present a revenue surplus budget," he said in his reply to the Opposition. Leader of Opposition in the Assembly R Ashoka alleged that "the people are being made to drink alcohol to increase the state's revenues". "Siddaramaiah, who has presented sixteen budgets, is very weak," he criticised. Replying to Ashoka, the CM said the Centre had a debt of only Rs 53.11 lakh crore till 2014-15. "After Narendra Modi became the prime minister, it has increased by 56%, as Rs 2.1 lakh crore is being borrowed in 2025-26. The country's total debt has increased to Rs 201 lakh crore," he added. BJP's Araga Jnanendra sought to know how much is the capital expenditure of the government, while Sunil Kumar and Bharat Shetty expressed that the Centre is using the borrowing for the right purposes. "This is the state budget. Central issues should not be discussed here as the Parliament session is going on," suggested BJP's BY Vijayendra. Replying to them, Siddaramaiah said, "Our government has increased capital expenditure to Rs 83,000 crore." He added that in a federal system, issues of the Central Government need to be discussed. **ENS**

State govt to work towards proper utilisation of water going waste from TB dam

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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DEPUTY Chief Minister DK Shivakumar said the government will take appropriate action for the proper utilisation of 27 tmcft of water being wasted in the Tungabhadra reservoir due to silt. For this, the government is thinking of constructing a Navali parallel reservoir and an alternate project to utilise water through pumping, he said.

In his reply to MLC Basanagouda Badarli's question about the steps taken to construct the Navali reservoir due to silt formation in the Tungabhadra dam, Shivakumar, who is also the Water Resources Minister, said, "Our officials have given an alternative idea instead of building a balanced dam. We are thinking of pumping and using our share of water. This will benefit three states. We will use 65 per cent of water, and they 35 per cent. We will submit proposals to the Centre. We are committed to protecting our share of water," he said.

He further added that the Union Jal Shakti Minister called representatives of Karnataka and Tamil Nadu for a discussion on the Pennar river issue, and the construction of the Navali dam and alternative solutions will be also be discussed then.

"I have spoken to the chief ministers of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana on this issue and have also written a letter. I had discussed this project with the water resources ministers of the two states also, at a conference in Udaipur, and had called the AP CM (N Chandrababu Naidu) and asked him to give me time to demonstrate and discuss this project. I had said that after discussing with the two states, I would submit a report on these projects to the Tungabhadra Board. The AP CM said he would discuss this issue," Shivakumar informed.

He also informed the Council that about 25-30 tmcft water was wasted due to silt in the Tungabhadra dam. About 15,000 acres of land is required for the construction of a balanced dam. Technical reports have already been prepared in this regard, along with a DPR. It has also been sent to the Tungabhadra Board and the states of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.

PUT PRESSURE ON CENTRE FOR UPPER KRISHNA PROJECT, DCM TELLS BJP MLCs

BENGALURU: Responding to BJP MLCs' query on the Upper Krishna project, DCM DK Shivakumar on Thursday said, "Our government has shown commitment to the implementation of the third phase of the Upper Krishna project. I have also submitted a request to the Union Government in this regard. If BJP members go to Delhi and put pressure on the Centre and issue a notification for the project, we can complete it together." The DCM was responding to Council members PH Poojar and Hanumantha Nirani regarding the increase in height of the Almatti dam and implementation of the third phase of the Upper Krishna project. "The government is asking for the elevation of the Almatti reservoir from 519.60 metres to 524.26 metres. If the dam's height is raised, about 1,36,000 acres of land will get submerged," he said, adding, "This issue will be taken up and discussed in the Cabinet. We are also requesting the Union Government to issue a notification. If a notification is issued, the government can find the resources to implement this project and complete it." **ENS**

House debates shortage of drugs, duplicate medicines

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BJP MLAs on Thursday raised the issue of non-availability of essential drugs in government hospitals and primary health centres (PHCs) in Karnataka.

Raising the issue during the Question House in the Assembly, former DyCM and BJP MLA Dr CN Ashwath Narayan alleged the sale of duplicate medicines and said that the government does not have a proper mechanism in place to tackle it.

"There is a shortage of drugs in state-run hospitals. In Karnataka, 761 drugs come under the essential drugs category. This means that these drugs should be easily available. But, according to the reply by the minister concerned, only 475 drugs are available with Karnataka State Medical Supplies Corporation Ltd and 334 drugs in godowns. But in reality, only 231 drugs are available," he said.

Dr Ashwath Narayan said that tenders has not been floated to procure drugs from manufacturers for the last four years. The National Health Mission has given Rs 157 crore for free drug service in 2024-25, but till December-end, only Rs 5.5 crore has been utilised, he claimed. He further said that there are just eight drug controllers in the state when the total sanctioned strength is 114. "Duplicate drugs are being sold in pharmacies. Is this not an organised network to sell duplicate drugs? In Karnataka, efficiency testing labs are not available," he added. In his reply, Health Minister Dinesh Gundu Rao said that drugs should be supplied effectively at government hospitals and PHCs. "If quantity is less, we will not get bidders. Sometimes, when the value of the drugs is low, bidders do not take part in the tender process. We are allowing them to procure medicines if it is not available with them. There is no need to take permission," he said.

Opposition corners govt over law & order issues

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OPPOSITION members in the Council cornered the state government on Thursday, charging that the law and order in the state had collapsed.

Moving an adjournment motion to discuss the incidents of the attack on Udayagiri police station in Mysuru, suicides due to harassment by microfinance companies, and increasing incidents of murders and rapes as a matter of public importance, the Opposition members alleged that the government had failed in its duty to protect the people.

Highlighting similarities between the DJ Halli violence and the Udayagiri incident, the BJP members said that both incidents were triggered by social media posts and people belonging to a minority community attacking the police stations, crying foul that their religious sentiments were hurt. The members alleged that the government's move to withdraw cases registered against many accused in the DJ Halli case had encouraged them to carry out a similar attack in Myuru.

Leader of Opposition Chalavadi Narayanaswamy argues with ministers in the Council, as Chairman Basavaraj Horatti looks on, on Thursday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

BJP MLC CT Ravi said, "We should treat criminals like criminals, not as a vote bank." Stating that Karnataka was turning into a haven for criminals, he added, "If you want to tighten the nuts and bolts, do it with criminals, not artistes."

While Opposition leader Chalavadi Narayanaswamy asserted that if people are taking law into their hands, meaning there is no fear of the police among them, Opposition chief whip N Ravi Kumar alleged that other ministers were interfering in the affairs of the police. Referring to an incident where the Bhadravathi MLA's son had allegedly abused and threatened a woman officer, he charged that there was no protection for women in the state. He also urged the home minister to put an end to the drug menace, as narcotic substances were easily available even in petty shops.

While many BJP members criticised the way the Belagavi police treated CT Ravi after he was arrested for allegedly making derogatory remarks against minister Laxmi Hebbalkar, JDS MLC TA Sharavana alleged that the police stations had become looting centres.

The members of the ruling party attempted to defend the government by listing out incidents that took place during the BJP regime.

Ranya case: DGP may get notice as his name surfaces

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STATE protocol officer Basavaraj Ibblur admitted to providing protocol privileges to arrested actress Ranya Rao, based on instructions from her stepfather, Dr K Ramachandra Rao. The protocol officer gave this statement to the DRI during questioning.

Ranya is said to have called Basavaraj after reaching the Kempegowda International Airport at 6.30 pm on Monday.

Basavaraj further told the DRI that Ranya's stepfather instructed him to arrange the green channel for Ranya, after she lands in the airport.

With this, Gaurav Gupta, the Additional Chief Secretary appointed by the state government to ascertain the role of Ramachandra Rao in the case, in all possibilities will issue a notice to the DGP for an explanation.

There were also rumours that the DGP might be asked to go on compulsory leave till the completion of the probe.

CID to assist add'l chief secy

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MEANWHILE, the state government appointed Gaurav Gupta, additional chief secretary, to probe the role of Ranya's stepfather and senior IPS officer K Ramachandra Rao.

The state government, which had ordered an inquiry by the CID on March 10 into the alleged lapses on part of the state police in misuse of protocol privileges by Ranya, withdrew its order on Wednesday. It stated that the CID investigation was not required as Gaurav Gupta will conduct the probe. However, the CID will assist him.

The DRI officers seized gold bars weighing 14.2 kg valued at Rs 12.56 crore from Ranya, who arrived in Bengaluru from Dubai on March 3. After this, they raided her residence on Lavelle Road and seized gold jewelry.

IN THE ASSEMBLY

Speaker UT Khader officiates over proceedings in the Assembly at Vidhana Soudha on Thursday | EXPRESS

RDPR University Bill approved with an amendment

BENGALURU: The Assembly on Thursday passed the Karnataka State Rural Development and Panchayat Raj University (Amendment) Bill, 2024, with an amendment that the varsity will be named as Mahatma Gandhi Rural Development and Panchayat Raj University. RDPR Minister Priyank Kharge presented the Bill for approval, which was tabled in the House on Tuesday for debate. As the Chief Minister Siddaramaiah government allegedly attempted to replace Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot with the former as the chancellor of the RDPR University, tensions escalated between the government and the Governor's Office. The governor had returned the Bill, suggesting that it should be withdrawn per se. In fact, the government had passed the Bill in the winter session in Belagavi, in December last year.

House approves Greater Bengaluru Bill with minor amendment

BENGALURU: The Assembly on Thursday approved the Greater Bengaluru Governance Bill, 2024, with an objective to bifurcate the BBMP and create up to seven municipal corporations with 'minor' amendments. The amendment has been made that even if industries are set up within Bengaluru City limits, they should be implemented by taking local bodies into confidence. "It has been decided to select seven members for nomination through a lucky dip based on the number of wards," informed DCM DK Shivakumar. "During the discussion on this Bill, Dr CN Ashwath Narayan (BJP) had mentioned certain things on industries. I discussed the issue with the industries minister (MB Patil). Finally, it was added that the master plan should be prepared on the basis of prior approval of the Planning Authority," he explained.

'40% cut' report is politically motivated: BJP

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LEADER of Opposition in the Assembly R Ashoka termed the Justice HN Nagamohan Das committee report on the '40% commission' charge as being "politically motivated".

The BJP leader said there is no truth in the allegations and the report is only intended to politically target the BJP. The Congress government always appoints Justice Das as head of committees to get reports according to its directions, he alleged.

A committee headed by Justice Das was constituted to probe the allegations of '40% commission' in awarding contracts during BJP rule in the state. Ashoka added that the Congress had made '40% commission' allegations against the BJP government. "How will the probe also find that it was exactly 40%?" he questioned. He said the Lokayukta had given a clean chit and the issue is also before the court.

With Kerala recording high ultraviolet (UV) radiation levels on Thursday, Kerala State Disaster Management Authority has cautioned people against direct exposure to the Sun between 11 am and 3 pm. A red alert has been issued for Palakkad and Malappuram districts where UV index rose to 11

SpaDeX achieves first successful undocking, next docking in April

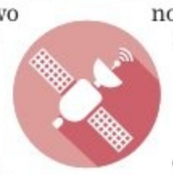
BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

THE Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) on Thursday recorded its first successful undocking as part of the Space Docking Experiment (SpaDeX) mission. The two light weight satellites, SDX-01 (the chaser) and SDX-02 (target) successfully separated almost a month-and-a-half after it was supposed to be achieved.

With this success, ISRO is now bracing for its future missions — Chandrayaan-4, Bhartiya Antriksh Mission, the manned space mission Gaganyaan, and Man on Moon mission. Most of these would require the docking and undocking procedures in which one satellite or spacecraft attaches or detaches from the other. SDX-01 and SDX-02 had autonomously docked on January 16, nine days after the initial plan of docking on January 7. Subsequently, the undocking of these satellites — which was planned to happen by January-end or February first week — got delayed due to technical issues.

Although the successful undocking happened at around 9.20 am, ISRO announced on social media platform 'X' only at 12.21 pm, after assessing all the parameters.

The two satellites had remained docked since January 16. ISRO scientists had then said the power generation in the two spacecraft was not matching the requirements and the composite control of both was taking time, due to which undocking could not be done earlier. ISRO resolved these issues when the two satellites remained docked all these days, and all required exercises were completed, including power transfer technology, inter-satellite communication and transfer of energy. The information obtained from each of the autonomous satellites were successfully relayed to the other before undocking the two satellites on Thursday morning when the energy availability was in full capacity, the scientists said.



Another ISRO scientist, who did not prefer to be named, said there were certain technical issues that were being analysed when they remained docked, so they were in a better position to do the next docking smoothly. "Since there were issues in the angling and during the docking earlier, we wanted to be sure this time. This is the reason why we did not try to undock earlier. As in the future we will be sending a 9,200 kg satellite on the Chandrayaan-4 mission, we want to be sure that there will be no errors then." he said.

ISRO Chairman V Narayanan explained to The New Indian Express that the delayed undocking was also due to the fact that they get 15 days' time once in two months (March 10-March 25) to do the docking/undocking procedures.

"While there were some issues during docking, we were cautious before undocking the two satellites, and it was done successfully in the first attempt. The next docking is planned after a month (in April)," he said.

ISRO scientists explained that the undocking of SDX-01 from SDX-02 took place in the 460km circular orbit at a 45 degree inclination. The two satellites are now orbiting independently and are in good condition. Images from both the satellites are being taken and relayed. While assessing the satellites, the days between March 10 and 25, 2025 were found ideal for undocking and it was done on March 13, 2025. The operations were monitored from their ground stations in Bengaluru, Lucknow and Mauritius. Narayanan said independent operations of the two satellites will be studied. Functions of their sensors, lens, cameras, propulsion systems and other components are being analysed. "We have sufficient propellant to undertake more docking and undocking experiments," he added.

TN replaces ₹ with Tamil letter in budget amid language row

We didn't want to use Devanagari: TN Planning Commission V-P

DMK delegation invites Telangana CM A Revanth Reddy for the Chennai meeting on Thursday

DELIMITATION IS A PLOT TO LIMIT THE SOUTH, SAYS REVANTH REDDY

Hyderabad: Describing delimitation as an attempt to limit southern states and reduce the importance of the South, Telangana CM A Revanth Reddy said that an action plan was being prepared to counter the Centre's conspiracy against southern states. "This is not delimitation of constituencies, but an attempt to limit southern states and reduce the importance of the South," he said. He was speaking in Delhi after a delegation of DMK leaders invited him to attend a meeting to be convened by DMK on March 22 in Chennai.

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

AMIDST its ongoing tussle with the Centre on the three-language policy, the state government dropped the ₹ symbol for the Tamil "ரூ" (roo) in its budget logo, ahead of the budget presentation scheduled on Friday. TN CM MK Stalin, on Thursday, shared a budget curtain-raiser video on 'X', at the end of which the logo of the Tamil Nadu budget carried a "ரூ" instead of the ₹ symbol which found a place in last year's logo. Asked why the symbol was replaced, the State Planning Commission vice-chairman J Jeyaranjan said, "We didn't want to use Devanagari."

On what necessitated the move when the ₹ symbol had been designed by a Tamil man, Jeyaranjan said, "A lot of Tamils are doing a lot of things, we cannot incorporate everything." D Udhaya Kumar, who designed the ₹ symbol, is the son of former DMK MLA N Dharmalingam.

TN BJP president K Annamalai called the move 'stupid'. In a post on 'X', he said, "The DMK Government's State Budget for 2025-26 replaces the Rupee Symbol designed by a Tamilian, which was adopted by the whole of Bharat and incorporated into our Currency. Thiru Udhay Kumar, who designed the symbol, is the son of a former DMK MLA. How stupid can you become, Thiru @mkstalin."

In a separate post following Jeyaranjan's remarks at the press conference, Annamalai shared a photo of former CM M Karunanidhi with Udhayakumar who had met him after winning the contest, stating, "Mere advertisements and meaningless decisions to hide incompetence: summary of the last four years of DMK. What the father endorsed, the son rejects"

TN MINISTER LAUNCHES BELOW THE BELT ATTACK ON NORTH INDIANS

Vellore: In criticising Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan's insulting remarks at TN MPs in the Lok Sabha, TN Minister Durai Murugan may have stooped too low himself, launching into a below the belt attack on North Indians. Speaking at a DMK protest meeting in Gudiyattam, Durai said, "First, they said, 'We Two, Ours Two.' Then, 'We Two, Ours One.' And now? 'We two, why even one?' Fine, we followed it. But look at North India-no such rules! They have no other job except making children. Each one made 17, 18, or even more." "We missed our chance," he added in mock disappointment, in reference to argument that southern states like TN, which successfully implemented family planning measures, would be unfairly penalised with reduced parliamentary representation if delimitation is carried out on basis of population.

Shivakumar to represent K'taka in Chennai meet

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

KARNATAKA Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar will attend the first meeting of like-minded states called by Tamil Nadu Chief Minister and DMK president MK Stalin in Chennai on March 22 to discuss the implications of the proposed delimitation of parliamentary constituencies by the Union Government.

Karnataka CM Siddaramaiah said that he has requested DyCM DK Shivakumar to attend the meeting in Chennai. Later, speaking to the media in Bengaluru, Shivakumar confirmed that he will be attending the meeting in Chennai.

Responding to Stalin's letter seeking support to formulate a joint strategy against the proposed delimitation exercise, Siddaramaiah said, "These issues have to be discussed at length by the like-minded states. Although I would like to take part in the meeting, due to my prior commitments, I am unable to do so. However, considering the importance of this meeting to be held on March 22, I have requested Deputy CM DK Shivakumar to participate in the deliberations," Siddaramaiah replied in his letter to Stalin on Thursday.

Tamil Nadu Forest Minister K Ponmudi and DMK Rajya Sabha member Mohammed Abdullah Ismail had met Siddaramaiah in Bengaluru on Wednesday.

Southern states are expressing concerns that if the delimitation is based on population, the states that controlled the population would lose out on Lok Sabha seats to highly populated northern states like Uttar Pradesh.

MAJESTIC MARCH

Devotees click photographs of elephants at Valiyarattu procession held as part of Arakurssi Udayarkunnu Bhagavathy Temple pooram at Mannarkad in Palakkad, Kerala, on Thursday | EXPRESS

Konkani Academy announces awards

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Mangaluru

KARNATAKA Konkani Sahitya Academy has chosen three persons and two books for its honorary and book awards for the year 2024.

Speaking to media persons here on Thursday, Karnataka Konkani Sahitya Academy president Stany Alvares said those who have been selected for the honorary awards are M Patrick Moras who has written over 400 Konkani stories in the Konkani literature category, Joel Periera in Konkani Art category and Sobina Miothesh Kambrekar of the Siddi tribal community known for Damami, Pugadi and Sigmo dance in Konkani Folk category.

"In the book awards, we have selected Felcy Lobo in the poetry category for her work 'Palva Ponth' and Valerian Sequeira in the article category for his work 'Shetham Bhatam Thotani'. The honorary award carries ₹50,000 cash prize, a citation and the book award carries a cash prize of ₹25,000. The award ceremony will be held in association with Konkani Christian Association, Mysuru, at the Konkani Bhavan at Vijayanagar in Mysuru on March 23 at 5pm," he said.

Chamarajanagar MLA K Harish Gowda will inaugurate the programme and MLC Dr Yathindra Siddaraiaha will be the chief guest.

To a query, Stany said the academy has received ₹58 lakh funds from the government and this year a proposal has been sent seeking a fund of ₹1 crore. "Our priority is to complete the pending works of the academy. At present, work on Konkani Bhavan at Urwastore is pending and we need ₹3 crore for its completion," he said.

TG HC REJECTS PLEA TO RELEASE GOLD, CASH SEIZED FROM GALI

TG NAIDU @Hyderabad

JUSTICE J Lakshman of the Telangana High Court has upheld the orders of the CBI court rejecting a plea to direct the CBI to release the 54 kg gold ornaments, ₹3 crore in cash and bonds seized during the arrest of mining baron **Gali Janardhan Reddy.** Justice Lakshman was hearing a batch of three petitions filed by Gali Kireeti Reddy, daughter of Janardhan Reddy, and two others.

The CBI court had on October 25, 2016 dismissed the petitioners' applications for the return of the seized property, including approximately 54 kg gold ornaments, ₹2.94 crore in cash and bonds purchased in the names of Janardhan Reddy's son and daughter. The property was seized by the CBI on September 5, 2011, and has remained in its custody since then. The petitioners contended that the seized valuables would deteriorate over time due to exposure, thereby losing their value. However, Justice Lakshman rejected this argument, stating that such claims were insufficient grounds to seek interim custody of the seized assets. The court found no error in the CBI court's reasoning and dismissed the petitions on the basis that the lower court's order was well-founded and reasoned.

Incidentally, the Enforcement Directorate (ED) had issued a provisional attachment order regarding the seized property, which was later confirmed by the Adjudicating Authority. According to the ED, proceeds from the alleged crime were invested in the form of 88,41,30,000 shares in M/s Brahmani Industries, which have already been attached. The matter is currently pending before the Supreme Court. The petitioners failed to take necessary legal steps, including making the ED a party to their case.

The Special Public Prosecutor for the CBI argued against the maintainability of the petitions, asserting that the orders were final and that the petitioners should have filed a revision petition under Section 397(2) of the CrPC instead of invoking Section 482.

The court noted that the petitioners had missed the 60-day limitation period for filing a revision and had instead filed a petition under Section 482 on October 27, 2017, to circumvent the limitation.

Tribunal reinstates Khanapur inspector Naik

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Belagavi

THE Karnataka Administrative Tribunal (KAT) has quashed the suspension of Khanapur Police Station Inspector (PI) Manjunath Naik, directing the government to reinstate him in his position. The tribunal ruled that Naik, who was suspended following a political controversy, should continue his service.

The suspension stemmed from an incident on December 19 during the winter session of the Legislature. A heated argument allegedly broke out between Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar and MLC CT Ravi. Following a complaint from Hebbalkar, Hirebagewadi police arrested Ravi and brought him to Khanapur police station for questioning. Several senior officers, including the Belagavi City Police Commissioner, were present during the interrogation.

The situation escalated when BJP leaders, including the leader of the Opposition in the Council R Ashok, arrived at the station to meet Ravi, leading to protests by BJP supporters. Subsequently, the police department suspended Naik, alleging that he allowed BJP leaders to meet Ravi. The suspension order was widely criticised, with various organisations and BJP leaders condemning the action.

Challenging the suspension, Naik approached the KAT, arguing that he was unfairly penalised. The tribunal, comprising Justice Satyanarayan Singh and Justice Sunil Kumar, ruled in Naik's favour, staying the suspension order issued on December 21, 2024. The judgment directed the government to reinstate Naik at Khanapur police station and ensure he receives all entitled benefits within three months.

With this ruling, Naik is set to resume duty, marking a significant decision in the case that had sparked political debate and protests.

EXPRESS READ

Tamil Nadu will maintain 9% growth rate, predicts economic survey

CHENNAI: The first-ever economic survey of Tamil Nadu released by Chief Minister and DMK president MK Stalin from the year 2024-25 said that based on current trends and economic projections, the state seems to be well-positioned for robust growth in the coming years. The survey said given the projected capital expenditure of Rs 47,681 crore, a significant influx of committed investments, and a supportive policy environment, Tamil Nadu's economy is likely to outpace national growth rates. The survey also pointed out that in the short term, Tamil Nadu is expected to maintain a real growth rate of approximately 9% with an inflation rate of around 5%, as large-scale infrastructure projects, industrial growth, and foreign investments continue to spur economic activity. The survey covers the developments in all sectors of Tamil Nadu's economy over the past five years while listing out the issues to be addressed and development gaps to be bridged. **ENS**

ANNUAL FESTIVAL

In deep devotion, thousands of women offer pongala

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ T'Puram

ENGULFED in deep devotion and fervour, the capital city celebrated the annual pongala festival on Thursday. Thousands of women lined up on the city streets sought blessings of the goddess of Attukal Temple by offering her favourite porridge. The rituals at the temple began with the thantri Thekkedathu Parameswaran Vasudevan Bhattathiri handing a lighted lamp to melsanthi V Muraleedharan Namboodiri.

The latter lit the hearth in the thidappally, the temple kitchen, and his co-priest lighted the pandara aduppu, a temporary hearth set up in the temple courtyard. The lighting of the pandara aduppu was marked by fireworks and traditional percussion orchestra.

Thousands of devotees gathered on the temple premises and the streets too lit their hearths to cook the pongala nivedyam, the sweet porridge considered to be the favourite of the goddess. At 1.15 pm the ritual ended with priests sprinkling holy water over the pots. In 2009, the pongala ritual made it to the Guinness Book of World Records as the world's largest gathering of women.

Devotees offer pongala in Thiruvananthapuram as part of Attukal Pongala festival on Thursday | BP DEEPU

This year, the temple witnessed a huge turnout of devotees on the festival days. Devotees waited in long queues to have a glance of Attukal Devi, the presiding deity. Women had been camping on the temple premises and the streets since Wednesday evening.

The kuthiyottam ritual began in the night. 592 boys participated in the ritual. They were camping at the temple for seven days. The idol of the deity was taken in procession to Sastha temple at Manacaud. The festival will conclude with the return of the procession and the guruthi ritual at the Attukal temple on Friday morning.

Madras HC fixes cap for entry of tourist vehicles into Nilgiris, Kodaikanal

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

To save environment and prevent traffic congestion, the Madras High Court has fixed a cap on tourist vehicles entering the hill stations of The Nilgiris and Kodaikanal from March to June this year.

While 6,000 vehicles per day shall be allowed to enter The Nilgiris on weekdays, the cap will be 8,000 per day on weekends.

Similarly, 4,000 vehicles per day on weekdays and 6,000 per day on weekends will be allowed to enter Kodaikanal, the bench said. The restrictions will be in force from March to June for the current year and the arrangement will be reviewed at the end of June, the bench said.

The court has fixed the limit as the experts team from IIT-Madras and IISc-Bengaluru, which was tasked to prepare a report on the carrying capacity of these hill stations, has sought nine more months to complete the study.

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POSSESSION NOTICE APPENDIX-IV [RULE 8 (1)]

WHEREAS: The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **AXIS BANK LTD,** Under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act , 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued, a demand notice, dated **18.11.2024** calling upon the **(Borrower) 1. Mr. Yunus Pasha** S/o Mr. F. M. Anwar, **(Co Applicant) 2. Mrs. Seema Banu, Both are residing at:** No. 14, G-5, Inlinite Silver Manor Apartment, AMC Main Road, M M Layout, K B Sandra, Bangalore North, Bengalore, Karnataka - 560032. **Also At,** Site No. 75, Katha No. 27/1, Pid No. 94-171-40, 1st Main Road, Kadugondanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore – 562123, to repay the amount of **Rs.1,87,07,157/-** (Rupees One Crore Eighty Seven Lakhs Seven Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Seven Only) mentioned in the notice towards the loan account no's **PHR168807143452/ PHR168806336899** being the amount due as on **13.11.2024** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Act, read with Rule 6 & 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **12th Day of March 2025.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **AXIS BANK LTD,** for an of **Rs.1,87,07,157/-** (Rupees One Crore Eighty Seven Lakhs Seven Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Seven Only) being the amount due as on **13.11.2024** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of Mortgaged Property: Description of Property Belongs To Mrs. Seema Banu W/o Mr. Yunus Pasha A M: All that piece and parcel of the Residential building consisting of Basement, Ground, First, Second and Third Floor, constructed on Site No. 75, Khata Assessment No. 27/1, New Municipal No. 40, Situated at 1st Main Road, Eastern Side of Shampura Main Road, Kadugondanahalli, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru, PID NO. 94-171-40, Ward No.23-Nagawara.MEASURING: East to West : 30 feet and North to South : 40 feet, in all measuring 1200 Sq. Ft. Bounded on the: East by : Site bearing No.74, West by : Site bearing No.76, North by : Road, South By : Site bearing Nos. 72 & 73.

Description of Property Belongs To Mrs. Seema Banu W/o Mr. Yunus Pasha A M : **Schedule "A" Property:** (Description of the entire property) : All that piece and parcel of a residential Vacant Site bearing No.42, Kaval byrasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru District, measuring to an extent of 16,150 Sq. Fts, now coming within the limits of BBMP property bearing Municipal No.14, 1st Main Road, Ambedkar Medical College Road, M. M. Layout, Bengaluru- 560032, PID.NO.95-102-14/4. Bounded on the: East by : Property allotted to Sri. A. Chandrashekar, West by : Doddanna's Land, North by : Road, South by : Doddanna's Land.

Schedule B Property: (Description of the Undivided share of land hereby conveyed under this sale deed): 574 square feet of un-divided share, rights, title and interest in the land in the Schedule A Property.

Schedule C Property: (Description of the Flat hereby conveyed under this sale deed): All that Residential Apartment bearing flat bearing No. G-005, 3BHK in Ground Floor, with a super Built-Up Area of 1650 Sq. ft in the A building known as SILVER MANOR, Situated at 1st Main Road, Ambedkar Medical College Road, M. M. Layout, Bengaluru-32. PID. No.95-102-14/4 inclusive of proportionate share in common areas, passages, lobbies, staircases and other areas of common use, with one covered car parking area in basement floor.

For any clarification, please contact Mr. Prem A in Mobile No. 918880041234.

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Place : Bangalore

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IN THE MATTER OF
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Company Petition No.118 of 2024

Ezyhaul Pte. Ltd. (Singapore) … Petitioner

Advertisement of petition

Notice is hereby given that a petition for the winding up of the above-named company by the Tribunal at Bengaluru was on the day of 25th February, 2025 presented to the said Tribunal by the Petitioner, Ezyhaul Pte. Limited (Singapore), having its registered address at 531A, Upper Cross Street, No. 03-108, Hong Lim Complex, Singapore – 051531, in its capacity as a contributory of Mulura Logistics Private Limited, and that the said petition is directed to be heard before the Tribunal **on the day of 4th April, 2025.** Any contributory or other person desirous of supporting or opposing the making of an order on the said petition should send to the Petitioner or his representative notice of his intention signed by him or his representative with his name and address so as to reach the Petitioner or his representative not later than five days before the date fixed for the hearing of the petition and appear at the hearing for the purpose in person or by his representative. A copy of the petition shall be furnished by the undersigned to any creditor or contributory on payment of the prescribed charges for the same. Any affidavit intended to be used in opposition to the petition should be filed in Tribunal and a copy served on the Petitioner or his representative not less than five days before the date fixed for the hearing.

Representative for Petitioner

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No.KPTCL/SEE/RT(B)/T-53/24-25/2781-82 Date: 11.03.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through kpp portal Mode Only)

Tenders for **Providing Housekeeping services to RT Circle & RT South Building premises and offices, RT North and RT Additional Building RT North premises & Offices, KPTCL, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-10**.

Name of the office: RT Circle & RT South Building premises and offices, RT North and RT Additional Building RT North premises & Offices, KPTCL, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-10. **No. 01.**

For further details please visit **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in dtd : 18.03.2025 after 3:00 p.m. onwards.** The undersigned office may be contacted for any further information .

Sd/-, Superintending Engineer, (Ele).
R.T. Circle, KPTCL, West of Chord Road,
Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-10.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby notified that my client Haripriya Ratni is interested to purchace the property mentioned in the schedule hereunder from its owner Rajini Yadav. Any person/s having any right in or title to or claim against the Schedule Property or having any objection of whatsoever nature for the proposed sale transaction may within 15 days hereof lodge with the under signed his/her claim in this behalf together with the relevant documentary proof in support of such right, title interest or claim or objection. If no such claim or objection is received within the above said period, it will be presumed that, no person has any such claim or objection & my client will proceed with the said transation.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL, of immovable residential Property bearing Vacant Plot No.64/B, in the BDA APPROVED LAYOUT known as "BLUEJAY ARDLEY" carved out of residentially converted Sy. Nos, 31/1, situated at Doddabele Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West : 9.10+9.08/2 meters, North to South : 12.55+13.59/2 meters, Total Measuring : 118.81 square meters and bounded on East By : Plot No. 64/A, West By : Plot No. 88, North By : Road, South By : Plot No.65.

Simtha P, LLB
6A206, Provident Sunworth Apartment,
Kengeri, M : 8861299988.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that **SMT.A.P.BHAGYA** W/o.A.Venkatesh is the owner of immovable property mentioned in the schedule hereunder and she has lost the original Sale Deed dated 18/3/1992 bearing Document No.8715, Book-1, Volume 477 at pages 237-241 executed by Sri.Pruthivinath Mane in favour of Sri.B.N.Nanjundarajee Arasu, registered in the office of sub registrar, Bangalore Kengeri, pertaining to the schedule property: In case anybody having any claims or in possession of the said document, shall inform the under singed and handover the same within SEVEN DAYS from the date of publication of this notice.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing **Site No.31,** Property No.31, old Khatha No.527, and Khatha No.698/905, formed in Converted Sy.No.189 (duly converted for non-agricultural residential purposes, vide Official Memorandum bearing No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(S)63/1989-90, dated 30/5/1989, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Situated at Sommanahalli Village Utharahalli Hobli Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West: 30 feet, and North to South: 40 feet, totally measuring 1200 Sq feet and bounded on: **East by :** Road, **West by :** Site No.32, **North By:** Site No.46, **South by :** Road,

N. JAGADEESH KUMAR, Advocate
No.30/1, 2nd Floor, 7th Cross, Near NR Colony
Bus Stand, Opp. Hotel Dwaraka, Bangalore-19.

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HUBLI ELECTRICITY SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED

(Wholly Owned Govt. of Karnataka undertaking)
(CIN : U31401KA2002SGC030437)
Superintending Engineer (Ele),
(Tendering & Procurement) Navanagar, P. B. Road,
Hubballi - 580 025. Phone : 94482 77602.
E-mail : seetp.hescom@gmail.com, seetp@hescom.co.in

No. : HESCOM/SEEIT/IT1/PLO/1279/ 2024-25/CYS-9517
Date : 13-03-2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal(KPPP) Only)

The Superintending Engineer (Ele), IT & MT, HESCOM, Hubballi, invites Tenders in Two Parts **(Part - I : Techno - Commercial Bid and Part - II : Price Bid)** through KPPP for the following works.

1) Bid Indent No. : HESCOM/2024-25/SE0371, Tender Description : Customization / Development of System for "Up Gradation of Existing Paper Less Office (PLO) and Deployment of PLO in Corporate Office, O&M Zonal Offices Belagavi and Hubballi and to Extend the Software to O&M Circles and all O&M Division Offices of HESCOM".

For detailed notification regarding the bid enquiry can be obtained by logging in to the **Website : https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (El),
IT & MT, HESCOM, Hubballi.

DIPR/Dharwad/1086/Manipal/2024-25

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that my clients are intending to purchase the immovable property mentioned in the schedule hereto, from its present owner **Mrs. Rachna @ Rachna Sharma,** aged 59 years, D/o. late D.P. Gupta, W/o. Dinesh Sharma, residing at Village Top Ki Ber, The & Distt Solan, PO Deothi, Solan-173211.

Any person/s, financial institutions/banks/societies and the general public whomsoever claiming an interest/right/title/claim in respect of the schedule or any part thereof by way of sale, gift, lease, inheritance, exchange, mortgage, charge, lien, trust, possession, easement, attachment or objections or otherwise of whatsoever nature are hereby required to make the same known in writing, along with copies of documents in support of such claim and produce the same to the undersigned within 10 days from the date of publication of this notice. In the event, no such claim is received, it shall be deemed that the property is free from any acts of encumbrances or claims, whatsoever and my client will proceed with the transaction with the owner as if no such claims exists or that they have been waived or abandoned.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of property being Three Bed Room Flat bearing **No.605,** on the Sixth Floor, in **Block D** Known as **ALPINE** in **RAHEJA RESIDENCY,** having a saleable area of **1255** Square Feet, along with 0.95% of the undivided interest i.e.133.27 Square Feet, together with the exclusive right of use of one Basement Car Park Space in **No.HP-90,** in the Basement of the said building, with all Civic Amenities, bearing **BBMP EPID No.7351819441,** Old Katha **PID No.68-4-1B/493, BBMP Munilpal No.1B/493/F,** Industrial Layout, in Koramangala in Ward No.151 of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, constructed on the converted land bearing Sy Nos.21, 22, 42 and 52 of Jakkasandra Village, Koramangala, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, admeasuring 3,55,490 Square Feet which is bounded and measuring as follows:

East by	: Industrial Area and other Private Properties measuring 728 Ft,
West by	: Jakkasandra Block, 8th "C" Main Road and measuring 756 Feet
North by	: 4th Block, 7th Cross Road, Koramangala and measuring 428 Feet,
South by	: Balance portion of property retained by M/s. John Fowler (India) Limited and measuring 555'3" Feet.

H.V. CHANDRASHEKAR, Advocate,
No.38/2, 2nd Floor, N.A.T. Street, Basavanagudi,
Bangalore-560 004. Ph:9740083659.

IN THE COURT OF THE II ADDL. PRINCIPAL JUDGE, FAMILY COURT AT BANGALORE-CITY
O.S. No. 409/2-24 IN
M.C. No: 5359/2021

BETWEEN: Mrs. S.E. DIVYA PRIYADARSHINI, Aged: 42 Years, W/o Mr. R. Allen prabhu, Residing at No. 56, " SNEHALAYA " 2nd Main Road, Williams Town, Benson Town Post, Bangalore- 560 046 ...**PLAINTIFF**

AND: 1) Mr. R. ALLEN PRABHU, Aged: 45 years, S/o Late. S. Rajan and S/o Mrs. Anthoniyamma (Mother) Residing at New No. 3, (Old No. 13/10) Hennur Village, Near Mudala ENT Clinic, Chellakere, Behind Jain Heights, Kalyananagar, Bangalore-560 0043. MOB No. 96980 11722 & 96869 45123 ...**DEFENDANT-I**

ALSO RESIDING AT : **Mr. R. ALLEN PRABHU,** Aged: 45 years, Mr. R. Allen Prabhu, S/o Late S. Rajan, C/o Late Anthoniyamma, No.63, " BETHEL COTTEGE " Visweswara Nagar, Arabic College Post, Bangalore-560 0045 ...**DEFENDANT-1**

2) The Chief Manager, STATE BANK OF INDIA, No.65, RACPC, St. Mark's Road, Local Head Office Compound, Bangalore- 560 001 ...**DEFENDANT-2**

SERVICE OF SUMMONS UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 (1A) READ WITH SECTION 151 OF THE CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE-1908 ON DEFENDANT'S LAST KNOWN ADDRESS

That the Plaintiff named above has instituted the case against the Defendant-1 under the Partition Suit in OS. No. 409/2024 for acquisition and possession of 100% (Full) right in the dwelling house property which is described under the Schedule and direction to Defendant-II to hand over the original Property documents. Hence, you are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble Court II Addl. Principal Judge, Family Court, Bangalore in III Floor, Nyayadegula, Siddaiah Road, Bangalore-City in person or through a pleader on **02/06/2025** at **11.00 A.M,** to respond the same,failing which the case against you will be heard-decided Ex-parte.

SCHEDULE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the house property bearing BBMP No. 3, old No. 31/10, New Khata No. 349/31/10 situated at Hennur Village, Chellakere, Bangalore Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring on to the Eastern Side - 35 Feet, Western Side 35 Feet, Northern Side 30 Feet and Southern Side 30 Feet measuring in all 1050 Sq. Ft It is bounded on to the: **East by:** Site No. 4 belongs to Mr. Dinesh Bansal, **West by:** Site No. 2 belongs to Sri. R. Shivakumar, **North by:** Private Property, **South by:** Road

Given under my hand and seal of this Hon'ble Court on this 12-03-2025.

By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, Family Court, Bengaluru

S. ESWARA RAO, Advocate
No. 56, "Snehalaya" 2nd Main Road,
William's Town, Bangalore-560 046.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to public at large that the undersigned Advocates are investigating the title and ownership rights of the owners listed in the table below (collectively referred to herein as the "**Owners**"), in respect of the properties described against their names in the Schedule below and collectively referred to herein as the **"Schedule Properties".**

The Owners have represented that they are the absolute owners of their respective land parcels comprised in the Schedule Properties, having unrestricted rights of alienation over the same and that the Schedule Properties are free from all encumbrances, mortgages, charges, court cases, attachments, lien, litigation and/ or any third-party rights/ claims of any nature whatsoever.

Public is notified that if any person/s, entity, company, firm or institution has or asserts any right, title or interest by way of sale, lease, license, tenancy, mortgage, charge, lien, easement, objection, agency, license, gift, inheritance, share, possession, assignment, right of prescription or pre-emption or under any agreement or other disposition or under any suit, decree, injunction order or attachment or award passed by any Court or Authority litigation, lis-pendens, decree or order of any adjudicating authority, exchange, partition, power of attorney, will, bequest, FSI, tenancy, development rights, family arrangement /settlement, allotment, acquisition, requisition, beneficial right / interest under any trust, pending litigation, claim, demand or any other interest of whatsoever nature in or upon the Schedule Properties or any part thereof, the same may be brought to the notice of the undersigned in writing together with all details and documents in support of such claim within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of this Notice, failing which it shall be conclusively presumed and deemed that the Owners have a clear and marketable title to the Schedule Properties and that no one else has any right, title, interest or claim whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Properties and claim/s if any, will be deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

All that piece and parcel of immovable properties described herein below are situated at Harohalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bengaluru District, and held by the respective Owners as hereunder:

Sy Nos.	Owners	Extent		Boundaries			
		Acres	Guntas	East by:	West by:	North by:	South by:
90/2	Mr. Narayanagowda son of Pillakempanna Mr. Prakash son of Pillakempanna Mr. Ravi son of Pillakempanna	00	14	Lake	Land bearing Sy No. 89	Land bearing Sy No. 90/3	Land bearing Sy No. 90/1
90/3	Sai Ragava City	00	13	Lake	Land bearing Sy No. 89	Land bearing Sy No. 90/4	Land bearing Sy No. 90/2
90/4	Mr. P. Bache Gowda son of Patalappa	00	13	Lake	Land bearing Sy No. 89	Land bearing Sy No. 128	Land bearing Sy No. 90/3

14.03.2025

Sd. /-
N.K. Dilip / S. Raghu Nandana
Tatva Legal Bangalore Advocates
4th Floor, Phoenix Pinnacle,
No. 46, Ulsoor Road,
Bengaluru 560 042

यूनियन बैंक Union Bank of India

Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru North, No. 1234, Ist Floor, 4th Main, Opp. To Chandra Layout Bus Stop, Bengaluru-560040, Mobile: 90032 23669, E –mail: arb.bengalurunorth@unionbankofindia.bank

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for 30 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to rule 8 of the Securit Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic Possession which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Union Bank of India (secured Creditor) will be sold on **" As is where is", " As is what is " and " whatever there is"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrowers and Guarantors. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder:

1. Branch : Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North (account transferred from SC Road Branch) : Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: Borrowers: 1(A). M/s. Murali VET Pharma, Prop: Mr. Muralidhar L, S/o. Late. Lakshminarayan, No. 1, 1st Main, Muthsandra Village, Behind Govt. School, Bangalore -560087. **1(B) Mr. Muralidhar L,** S/o. Late. Lakshminarayan, Site No: 81, Property No: 81/163/1, Muthsandra Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural Dist., Bangalore-560087.

Amount due: Rs. 33,02,081.51 (Rupees Thirty three lakh two thousand eighty one and paise fifty one only) as on interest debited till 28.02.2025 + Future interest + Other expenses.

Description of Property : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site no. 81, Property No. 163/1, situated at Muthsandra Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 50 Feet in all totally measuring 1500 Square feet and bounded by: East by: M.V. Manjunath's Property, West by: Latha Venugopal's Property, North by: M.A. Krishna Reddy's Property, South by: 20 feet Road. **Property in the name of Mr. Muralidhar L.**

Reserve Price : Rs 31,00,000/- **EMD : Rs 3,10,000/-** **Bid Multiplier : Rs.50,000/-**

Type of Possession : Symbolic Possession

Invariably, the first bid of the property/ies will be Reserve Price + one Increment. This amount will be the minimum bid amount to participate in bidding process.

The details of encumbrances, if any known to the Secured Creditor : NIL, However, the intending bidders should make their own independent enquiry regarding the encumbrances, any pending court cases against the property, title of the property put to auction and the claims / rights/ dues affecting the property, such as Electricity Bill, Water Bill, Pending CAM Charges, Pending Charges with respect to Association, Transfer of Khata and Property Tax etc. prior to submitting their bid. Once the sale is confirmed, no request will be considered for cancellation of the sale/ refund of the sale price paid by H1 bidder, whatsoever.

Date of Sale Notice : 13.03.2025

Account bearing Number 800001980050000 A/C Name : Inward RTGS IFSC Code : UBIN0580007

Contact : Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru North, No. 1234, Ist Floor, 4th Main, Opp. To Chandra Layout Bus Stop, Bengaluru-560040, E –mail: arb.bengalurunorth@unionbankofindia.bank

Last date of EMD submission:
On or before the commencement of e-auction
Date & Time of E-auction: 25.04.2025 (Friday)
from 12.00 Noon to 5.00 P.M with 10 min unlimited auto extensions

Note: (1) The intending purchaser required to register through **https://baanknet.com and https://www.unionbankofindia.co.in/auction-property/view-auction-property.aspx.**

The amount of EMD (10%) should be paid through the Website https://baanknet.com and the balance amount of sale price should be paid through the Account Number mentioned in the Sale Notice. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided as mentioned below banks website and e-auction agent website. Digital Signature is not mandatory.

www.unionbankofindia.co.in | https://baanknet.com

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 13.03.2025

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India.

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ಅಮಲ್ಜಾರಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : ಎಆರ್‌ಬಿ-2/45/ಸಿಇಪಿ/01/2022-23

ದಾವಾದೇಶ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : ಯುಬಿಸಿ-3/ಡಿಐಎಸ್/100/2019-20 **ದಿನಾಂಕ : 12.02.2021**

ಶ್ರೀ ಯೋಗಿನಾರಾಯಣ ಕ್ರೆಡಿಟ್ ಕೋ-ಆಪರೇಟಿವ್ ಸೊಸೈಟಿ ಲಿಮಿಟೆಡ್, ನಂ.20/1-ಎ-1, 6ನೇ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ, 7ನೇ ಅಡ್ಡರಸ್ತೆ, ಎನ್.ಆರ್.ಕಾಲೋನಿ , ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-560004, ದೂರವಾಣಿ :080-26601660, ಮೊಬೈಲ್ : 8050001144 ಈ ಡಿಕ್ರಿದಾರ ಸಹಕಾರ ಸಂಘಗಳ ಜಂಟಿ ನಿಬಂಧಕರು, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಪ್ರಾಂತ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರ ನ್ಯಾಯಲಯದ ದಾವಾದೇಶ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ- ಯುಬಿಸಿ-3/ಡಿಐಎಸ್/100/2019-20 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 12.02.2021 ರಂತೆ ಬಾಕಿದಾರರು/ಈ ಅಮಲ್ಜಾರಿ ಪ್ರಕರಣದ ಶೀರ್ಮಾಣಿಯವರಾದ ಶ್ರೀ ರಾಧಕೃಷ್ಣನ್.ಎಸ್ ನಂ.9, ಶ್ರೀ ರಂಗಮ್, 5ನೇ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ, ಈಶ್ವರಿ ಲೇಔಟ್, ಸಿ.ಬಿ.ಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಯಲಹಂಕ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ,(ಅಂಚೆ), ವಿದ್ಯಾರಣ್ಯಪುರ,ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-560097,(2) ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಅಜಿತ ಕೋಂ ರಾಧಕೃಷ್ಣನ್.ಎಸ್ ನಂ.9, ಶ್ರೀ ರಂಗಮ್, 5ನೇ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ, ಈಶ್ವರಿ ಲೇಔಟ್, ಸಿ.ಬಿ.ಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಯಲಹಂಕ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ,(ಅಂಚೆ), ವಿದ್ಯಾರಣ್ಯಪುರ,ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-560097, (3)ಶ್ರೀ ಶ್ರೀಹರಿ ಬಿನ್ ರಾಧಕೃಷ್ಣನ್.ಎಸ್ ನಂ.9, ಶ್ರೀ ರಂಗಮ್, 5ನೇ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ, ಈಶ್ವರಿ ಲೇಔಟ್, ಸಿ.ಬಿ.ಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಯಲಹಂಕ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ,(ಅಂಚೆ), ವಿದ್ಯಾರಣ್ಯಪುರ,ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-560097 ರವರಿಂದ ಡಿಕ್ರಿ ಹೋಲ್ಡರ್ ಸಂಘಕ್ಕೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ-25.02.2025 ರ ಅಂತ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಬಾಕಿ ಅಸಲು ರೂ.29,43,511/-, ಬಡ್ಡಿ ರೂ.16,46,838/-, ಸುಸ್ತಿ ಬಡ್ಡಿ ರೂ.86,579/- ಇತರೆ ವೆಚ್ಚ ರೂ.31,850/-ಇತರೆ ದಾವೆ ಖರ್ಚು ರೂ.1,43,803/- ಒಟ್ಟು ರೂ.48,52,581/- ಗಳು (ನಲವತ್ತೆಂಟು ಲಕ್ಷದ ಐವತ್ತೆರಡು ಸಾವಿರದ ಐದುನೂರ ಎಂಭತ್ತೊಂದು ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳು ಮಾತ್ರ) ಹಾಗೂ ದಾವಾ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿದ ದಿನಾಂಕದಿಂದ ಈ ಮೊಬಲಗು ವಸೂಲಾಗುವವರೆಗೂ ಶೇ.14% ರ ಬಡ್ಡಿ, ಹಾಗೂ ಶೇ 2% ರ ಸುಸ್ತಿ ಬಡ್ಡಿ ಮತ್ತು ಕೋರ್ಟ್ ಫೀ ಹಾಗೂ ಇತರೆ ಅಮಲ್ಜಾರಿ ವೆಚ್ಚಗಳು ವಸೂಲಾಗಬೇಕಾಗಿದ್ದು ಈ ಬಾಕಿ ವಸೂಲಾತಿಗಾಗಿ ಶೀರ್ಮಾಣಿಯವರು ಸಾಲ ಪಡೆಯುವಾಗ ಡಿಕ್ರಿ ಹೋಲ್ಡರ್ ಸಂಘಕ್ಕೆ ಅಡಮಾನ ಮಾಡಿರುವ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಷೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಿರುವ ಸ್ಥಿರ ಸ್ವತ್ತನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ 29.03.2025 ರಂದು ಶನಿವಾರ ಅಥವಾ ಸದರಿ ಹರಾಜು ಬೇರೆ ಯಾವ ತಾರೀಖಿಗೆ ಮುಂದುವರೆಸಿ ಇಡಲ್ಪಡುತ್ತದೋ ಆ ದಿವಸದಲ್ಲಿ ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. **ಹರಾಜು ಬೆಳಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ** ಪ್ರಾರಂಭವಾಗಿ ಅತ್ಯಂತ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಸವಾಲು ಕೂಗುವವರಿಗೆ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಸೂಚನೆಗಳನ್ವಯ ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜು ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾರಾಟ ಮಾಡಲಾಗುವುದು ಎಂದು ಈ ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸೂಚನೆಗಳು:

1. ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜಿನ ಮೂಲಕ ಅತ್ಯಂತ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಸವಾಲು ಕೂಗಿದವನಿಗೆ ಸ್ವತ್ತನ್ನು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಷರತ್ತುಗಳಿಗೆ ಅನುಗುಣವಾಗಿ ಮಾರಾಟ ಮಾಡಲಾಗುವುದು. ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಬಂದ ಬೆಲೆಯು ಅತ್ಯಂತ ಕಡಿಮೆ ಎಂದು ಕಂಡುಬಂದಲ್ಲಿ ಹರಾಜು ನಿಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು/ಮುಂದೂಡುವುದು ಮಾರಾಟಾಧಿಕಾರಿಯ ವಿವೇಚನೆಗೆ ಒಳಪಟ್ಟಿರುತ್ತದೆ.
2. ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸುವವರು ಹರಾಜಿಗೆ ಮುಂಚಿತವಾಗಿ ರೂ.20,000-00 (ಇಪ್ಪತ್ತು ಸಾವಿರ ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳು ಮಾತ್ರ) ಗಳ ಪ್ರಾರಂಭಿಕ ಠೇವಣಿಯನ್ನು ಪಾವತಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು, ಈ ಹಣವನ್ನು ಸಂಘಕ್ಕೆ ನಗದಾಗಿ ಅಥವಾ ಸಂಘದ ಹೆಸರಿಗೆ ಡಿಮ್ಯಾಂಡ್ ಡ್ರಾಫ್ಟ್ (ಡಿ.ಡಿ.)ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಮೂಲಕ ಪಾವತಿಸುವುದು ಯಶಸ್ವಿಯಾದ ಬಿಡ್ಡುದಾರರು ಪ್ರಾರಂಭಿಕ ಠೇವಣಿಯನ್ನು ಹೊರತುಪಡಿಸಿ ಉಳಿದವರ ಮೊಬಲಗನ್ನು ಹಿಂದಿರುಗಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.
3. ಯಶಸ್ವಿಯಾದ ಬಿಡ್ಡುದಾರರು ಬಿಡ್ಡಿನ ಮೊಬಲಗಿನ ಪೈಕಿ ಶೇ.15% ರಷ್ಟು ಮೊಬಲಗನ್ನು ಹರಾಜಿನ ದಿನವೇ ಸಂಘದ ಹೆಸರಿಗೆ ಡಿ.ಡಿ. ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಮೂಲಕ ಪಾವತಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು ಮತ್ತು ಬಿಡ್ಡಿನ ಹಣದ ಉಳಿಕೆ ಮೊಬಲಗನ್ನು ಅಂದರೆ ಶೇ.85%ನ್ನು ಮಾರಾಟದ ದಿನಾಂಕದಿಂದ 45 ದಿವಸಗಳೊಳಗೆ ಪಾವತಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು, ತಪ್ಪಿದರೆ ಬಿಡ್ಡುದಾರರು ಪಾವತಿಸಿರುವ ಶೇ.15% ರ ಠೇವಣಿ ಮೊಬಲಗನ್ನು ಕಳೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಾರೆ.
4. ಮೇಲೆ ಹೇಳಿದ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ನಿಗದಿತ ದಿನಾಂಕದೊಳಗೆ ಹಣ ಕಟ್ಟದಿದ್ದರೆ ಅಥವಾ ಬಿಡ್ಡಿನ ಹಣದ ಪೈಕಿ ಉಳಿಕೆ ಮೊಬಲಗನ್ನು ಪಾವತಿಸದಿದ್ದರೆ ಯಶಸ್ವಿ ಬಿಡ್ಡುದಾರರ ಸಂಬಂಧದಲ್ಲಿ ಆದ ಖರ್ಚು ಅಥವಾ ನಷ್ಟ ಒಳಗೊಂಡಂತೆ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿನ ಮರು ಮಾರಾಟಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಹೊಸ ಹರಾಜು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಿ, ಹೊಸದಾಗಿ ಹರಾಜಿನ ಮೂಲಕ ಸ್ವತ್ತನ್ನು ಮಾರಾಟ ಮಾಡಲಾಗುವುದು.
5. ಹರಾಜು ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಬಿಡ್ಡು ಮಾಡುವವರು ತಾವು ತಮ್ಮ ಸ್ವಂತಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಬಿಡ್ಡು ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆಯೋ ಅಥವಾ ಅನ್ಯರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆಯೋ ಎಂಬ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾಹಿತಿಯನ್ನು ಮಾರಾಟಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಅಪೇಕ್ಷಿಸಲ್ಪಡಬಹುದು. ಅನ್ಯರ ನಿಮಿತ್ತ ಬಿಡ್ಡುದಾರರು ಅನ್ಯರಿಂದ ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅವರ ಅನುಮತಿಯನ್ನು ತಾವು ಪಡೆದುಕೊಂಡಿರುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ಪತ್ರವನ್ನು ಹಾಜರು ಪಡಿಸುವುದು. ಈ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಹಾಜರುಪಡಿಸದಿದ್ದರೆ ಅವರು ಬಿಡ್ಡಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಲು ಅವಕಾಶವಿಲ್ಲ.
6. ಶೀರ್ಮ ಬಾಕಿದಾರರು ಅಥವಾ ಸ್ವತ್ತುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಇರುವುದಾಗಿ ದಾವೆ ಮಾಡುವಂತಹ ಬೇರೆಯವರಾಗಲಿ ಅಸಲು, ಬಡ್ಡಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಇತರೆ ಖರ್ಚುಗಳ ಸಮೇತ ಪೂರ್ಣ ಮೊಬಲಗನ್ನು ಹರಾಜು ಮಾಡುವ ಮೊದಲೇ ಪಾವತಿಸಿದರೆ ಈ ಹರಾಜನ್ನು ನಿಲ್ಲಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.
7. ಈ ಹರಾಜು ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ಸಹಕಾರ ಸಂಘಗಳ ಸಹಾಯಕ ನಿಬಂಧಕರು / ವಸೂಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿ ಖಾಯಂ ಮಾಡುವವರೆಗೆ ಖಾಯಂ ಆಗತಕ್ಕದ್ದಲ್ಲ ಮಾರಾಟವು ಮುಕ್ತಾಯವಾದ ನಂತರ ಅದರ ಮೇಲಿನ ಸ್ಟಾಂಪ್ ಶುಲ್ಕವನ್ನು ಪಾವತಿಸಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಅಪೇಕ್ಷಿಸುವ ಮಾಹಿತಿ, ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಒದಗಿಸಿದರೆ ಸಹಕಾರ ಸಂಘಗಳ ಸಹಾಯಕ ನಿಬಂಧಕರು ಸಹಿ ಮತ್ತು ಮೊಹರಿನೊಂದಿಗೆ ಮಾರಾಟದ ಪ್ರಮಾಣ ಪತ್ರವನ್ನು ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ.
8. ಸ್ವತ್ತಿನ ವಿವರಣೆ ಅಥವಾ ಅವುಗಳ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮಾಡಲಾಗಿರುವ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣದ ವಿಷಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಮೌಲ್ಯಮಾಪನದಲ್ಲಿ ಇರುವ ತಪ್ಪುಗಳಿಗೆ ಈ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯ ಜವಾಬ್ದಾರಿಯಲ್ಲ. ಸ್ವತ್ತು ಯಾವ ಸ್ಥಳದಲ್ಲಿ, ಯಾವ ಸ್ಥಿತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಇದೆಯೋ ಅದೇ ಸ್ಥಿತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹರಾಜು ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾರಾಟ ಮಾಡಲಾಗುವುದು. ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸುವ ಮುನ್ನ ಪರಿಶೋಧಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸುವುದು.
9. ವಸೂಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿ/ಮಾರಾಟಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಯಾವುದೇ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಹರಾಜು ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯನ್ನು ಯಾವುದೇ ಮುನ್ಸೂಚನೆ ಇಲ್ಲದೆ ಮುಂದೂಡಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ ಅಥವಾ ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಬಂದ ಬೆಲೆಯು ಕಡಿಮೆಯಾಗಿದೆಯೆಂದು ಮಾರಾಟಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗೆ ಕಂಡುಬಂದಲ್ಲಿ ಹರಾಜನ್ನು ನಿಲ್ಲಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.
10. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಈ ನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯ ಅಥವಾ ಸಂಘದ ಮುಖ್ಯಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕರನ್ನು ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬಹುದು.

ಹರಾಜು ಮಾಡುವ ಸ್ಥಿರ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿನ ಷೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ವಿವರ

All the piece & parcel of immovable Property bearing Site No.09, Village Panchayath Khatha No.723/9, Sy.No.8/1, Old Sy.No.8, Situated at Chikkabettahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West: Northern Side 37 feet, Southern Side 31 feet, North to South: Eastern Side 56.3 feet, Western Side 53.6 feet, Totally Measuring 1865.75 Sq.ft and bounded as follows. East by : Site No.08, West by : Private Property, North by : 35 feet wide road, South by : Private Property.

ಮಾರ್ಗಸೂಚಿ ದರ	ಅಂದಾಜು ಚಾಲ್ತಿ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ದರ
ನಿವೇಶನ / ಬಿಲ್ಡಿಂಗ್ ಬೆಲೆ ರೂ.73,00,000/- (ಎಪ್ಪತ್ತು ಮೂರು ಲಕ್ಷ ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳು ಮಾತ್ರ)	ನಿವೇಶನ / ಬಿಲ್ಡಿಂಗ್ ಬೆಲೆ ರೂ.1,06,00,000/- (ಒಂದು ಕೋಟಿ ಆರು ಲಕ್ಷ ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳು ಮಾತ್ರ)

ಸ್ಥಿರ ಸ್ವತ್ತನ್ನು ಹರಾಜು ಮಾಡುವ ಸ್ಥಳ : ಸ್ವತ್ತಿನ ಆವರಣ | ಹರಾಜಿನ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 29.03.2025 ಶನಿವಾರ, ಹರಾಜು ಸಮಯ : ಬೆಳಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ

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(ನಳಿನಿ ಹೆಚ್.ಜಿ)
ವಸೂಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ
ಸಹಕಾರ ಸಂಘಗಳ ಸಹಾಯಕ ನಿಬಂಧಕರು
2ನೇ ವಲಯ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ನಗರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ.

ಸ್ಥಳ : ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು
ದಿನಾಂಕ : 14.03.2025

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda

ROSARB, BENGALURU NORTH, 4TH FLOOR, VIJAYA TOWER, 41/2, MG ROAD, BENGALURU - 560001
Phone: 080- 25584066/368, 8310302569 & 9844142456
E-mail: SARBEN@Bankofbaroda.com, Website: www.bankofbaroda.in

SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions

Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties "APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s), Mortgagor (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is" and "As is what is" basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Mortgagor/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below -

Sr/ Lot No.	NAME & ADDRESS OF BORROWER/S /GUARANTOR/ S/ MORTGAGOR (S)	Short Description of the Immovable Property with known Encumbrances, if any	A. Branch Name B. Customer ID C. Total Dues	Date & Time of E-auction	A. Reserve Price B. EMD Amount C. Bid Increase Amount. D. Last Date of Receipt of EMD E. Status of Possession	Property Inspection Date (with Prior Permission from Authorised Officer)
1	**1) M/S L & H Organic Industries, Rep by Mr. William D Souza,** #75, 1st M N Road, 3rd Stage, 4th phase, 7th block, Banashankari, Bangalore-560040. **2) Mr. Thomas Monterio, (Guarantor)** #75, 1st main, 3rd cross, 4th phase, 7th block, Banashankari, Bangalore-560085. **Mr. Lawrence D' Souza (Guarantor),** Karopady village, Vijayedka p.o, Bantwal Taluk, Dakshinkannada, Karnataka State	All that piece and parcel of the site bearing No.74, Khaneshumari No.188/74 measuring East to West 70 feet and North to South 30 feet, totally measuring 2100 sq feet and site No.75 Khaneshumari No.188/75 measuring East to West 70 feet and North to South 30 feet totally measuring 2100 sq feet constructed 331.2 sq feet , ACC sheet building and vacant site and site No.76 Khaneshumari No.188/76 measuring East to West 70 feet and North to South 30 feet totally measuring 2100 sq feet and site No.76 A Khaneshumari No.188/76A measuring East to West 70 feet and North to South 30 feet totally measuring 2100 sq feet. All 4 sites totally measuring 8400 sq feet, situated at Honnasandra village, Kasaba hobli, Nelamangala taluk , Bangalore rural district. Bounded on the East by: 30 feet road, On the West by : Private Property, On the North by: Site No.73, On the South by : Site No.76 B and other properties" owned by Sri William D'souza.	A. Branch ROSARB Bengaluru North B. Cust ID:AK1V06782 C. Rs. 1,17,56,578/- As on 08.03.2025 plus other charges and further interest .	**29.03.2025 From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	**A. Rs. 64,00,000/- B. Rs. 6,40,000/- C. Rs.25,000/- D. 29.03.2025, 05.30 PM E. Physical possession**	**With Prior Appointment from Authorized Officer**
2	**Mr. Kasilinka Pradeep & Mrs. Pavana Deepthi Kavuri** 1. Flat No 112 Ground Floor Medahalli Village Sarjapura Hobli Anekal Taluk Bangalore 2. No.97 .1 rst Main Road,Shirdi Sai Layout Peddanapaly, Thavarekere,Magadi Road Bangalore South Karnataka - 562130. 3. Flat No 101 , Adithya Enclave,Balaji Nagar,5th Lane Near Vamsi Krishna Rice MIll,Amaravathi Road Guntur,Andhra Pradesh-522007	All the piece and parcel of parcel of the property bearing residential apartment no 112,in the ground floor with a super built up area of 1198 square feet consisting of two bedroom in a residential apartment complex known as "Pushpam E Town" consisting of Stilt,Ground and three upper floors constructed on Hadebahalli Village Panchayath E Khata no 150200102701084 situated at Sy No 164/3 and 165/1 of S Medahalli Village ,Sarjapura Hobli, Bangalore South, Bangalore along with share in the common areas and one covered parking space inclusive of the proportionate share in the common areas such as passages ,lobbies, lift, staircase and other areas of common use. East by: Open Sky, West: Corridor, North: Staircase, South: Flat no 116. Owned by Kasilinka Pradeep & Mrs. Pavana Deepthi Kavuri	A. Branch ROSARB Bengaluru North B. Cust ID:071376425 C. Rs. 75,63,155/- As on 08.03.2025 plus other charges and further interest .	**29.03.2025 From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	**A. Rs. 48,00,000/- B. Rs. 4,80,000/- C. Rs.25,000/- D. 29.03.2025, 05.30 PM E. Physical possession**	**With Prior Appointment from Authorized Officer**
3	**1 Mr. Prashanthkumar, 2.Mrs. Kavithakumari.k** Flat no c-15,fourth floor,"Global Aura",Apartment,Corporation no 15, pid no 1-39-15,situated at 1st cross Road, Shabharinagara, S M Road,Near federal Bank,Jalahalli West, Bangalore-560015.	" All the piece and parcel of the Apartment bearing No. C-15, situated in 4th floor, consisting of 3 bed rooms with vitrified flooring , super built up area of 2000 sq feet. Building known as Global Aura Project, 'C' block with 396 sq. feet undivided share of right, title interest out of 4544 Sq feet of land with right to pass through the area leading to the main road and free outgress and ingress and entitled for all the common areas and amenities. Apartment situated on property with BBMP PID No.1-39-15 situated at S.M.Road , Jaalahalli west, Bengaluru formed in survey No.14, New 14/2 of Peenya village, Yeshwanthpur hobli, Bangalore North taluk, BBMP ward No.1 Bangalore-560015. Entire land property boundaries. East by : Road and private property, West by: Private property, North by : Road , South by : Private property. " owned by Prashanthkumar and Kavitha Kumari.	A. Branch ROSARB Bengaluru North B. Cust ID: FB4V18360 C. Rs. 1,73,17,945/- As on 08.03.2025 plus other charges and further interest .	**29.03.2025 From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	**A. Rs. 57,00,000 B. Rs. 5,70,000/- C. Rs. 25,000/- D. 29.03.2025, 05.30 PM E. Physical possession**	**With Prior Appointment from Authorized Officer**

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to the link provided in **https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm and https://baanknet.com** Also prospective bidders may contact the Authorised officer on Telephone No. **080-25584066/368 Mobile Nos. 8310302569, 9900057333**

Date: 14/03/2025,
Place: Bangalore

Sd/-
Authorized Officer,
Bank of Baroda

KARNATAK UNIVERSITY PRESS

Pavate Nagar, Dharwad - 580 003.
Karnataka - India.

No. : K.U.P./Adm./2024-25 Date : 11-03-2025

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Karnatak University, Dharwad has invited e-Tender from registered dealers to supply **"Digital Production Printing Machine"** required to **Karnatak University Printing Press** on buy back of old **Konica Minolta Buzub C-552 (Digital Printing) Machine.**

For more details visit the **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in & https://www.kud.ac.in** under notification segment

Sd/- Registrar,
Karnatak University Press, Dharwad.

DIPR/Dharwad/1081/Manipal/2024-25

CHAMARAJANAGAR INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

(An Autonomous institute of Govt of Karnataka)
Sy. No:124, Yadapura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Chamarajanagar-571313.
E-mail: directorcimscrnagara@gmail.com Tel: 08226-226701,
Website: https://cimscrnagara.karnataka.gov.in

No. CIMS/Tender/Ho.Gu./190/2024-25 Dated: 24.02.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION

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The Tender has been invited as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement act 1999 Rule 2000 for the supply of Manpower for posts of First Division Assistant and Store Keeper cum Clerk posts for this Institution and its associated hospitals. The Tenderers may apply the tenders through http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in on or before 07.04.2025 at 5.00 p.m. Those tenders without E.M.D. will be rejected.

If, last date for submission of tender will be declared as Government Holiday, the next date shall be treated as last date. No separate Notification will be issued in this regard.

Dean and Director,
DIPR: CHANAGAR: 688:2024-25 CIMS, Chamarajanagar

JUNGLE LODGES & RESORTS LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
#49, West Wing Ground Floor, Khanija Bhavan,
Race Course Road, Bangalore–01. Phone No–080-40554055/45
Website: www.junglelodges.com, E-mail:accounts@junglelodges.com
CIN-U55103KA1980SGC003775

Date: 12.03.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Jungle Lodges and Resorts Limited invites tender for Wellness Service Provider for Providing Wellness Services at Kabini River Lodge and Invitation for Expression of Interest for Supply and Installation of 125 KVA D.G. Set. The Details are as follows:

Sl. No.	Tender No. and Date	Descriptions	EMD Amount (Rs.)	Last date & time for receipt of tenders
1.	JLRL/ 2024-25/ IND0006 Date: 11.03.25	Invitation for Expression of Interest for Supply and Installation of 125 KVA D.G. Set.	30,000/-	**26.03.2025 16.00 Hrs.**
2.	JLRL/ 2024-25/ SE0017 Date: 10.03.25	Wellness Service Provider for Providing Wellness Services at Kabini River Lodge.	30,000/-	**27.03.2025 15.00 Hrs.**

The details of tender documents are available in the website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. For any further clarifications contact 91-8046010000 and 91-8068948777, Email support@eprochelpdesk.com.

Sd/-
Managing Director

DIPR/CP/5577/MAA/2024-25

HDFC BANK

Registered Office,HDFC BANK House Senapathi,BapatMarg,LowerParel, Mumbai-400013

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE U/S 13(2) READ WITH SECTION 13(13) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT-2002 (SARFAESI Act, 2002).

To **NOBLE MARKETING,**9-310B, Nedumparambil Building, Mariyappally.p.o, Kottayam, Kerala - 686013 Borrower

2 .**DAVID ARTHUR,**20/30, Meginapalaya , Banglore, BBMP, Karnataka - 560043 Co-Applicant

3.**JINESH JOSEPH,**224 (21/679), Jisha Villa, Poovanthuruthu, Panachikadu Panchayath,Kottayam, Kerala - 686533 Co-Applicant

A sum of **Rs. 46,05,864.00** (Rupees Forty Six Lakhs Five Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Four Only) is due to the Bank as on 17.02.2025 with future interest and incidental expenses under (Agri Business Credit (Loan Agreement 50200002455546 granted to you by HDFC Bank Ltd. In spite of our repeated requests, you have not paid any amount towards the amount outstanding in your account which has been classified as NPA Account on 29/12 /2018 as per RBI guidelines pursuant to your default in repaying Bank's dues. Myself, exercising the powers of the Authorized Officer of the HDFC Bank Ltd, in pursuance to the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, hereby issue notice under Section 13 (2) of the aforementioned Act calling upon you to discharge the said debt amounting to **Rs. 46,05,864.00** (Rupees Forty Six Lakhs Five Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Four Only) with future interests and costs within 60 days of this notice, failing which the Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed u/ Sec 13(4) of the above Act including enforcement of the security interest created by you in favour of the Bank over the property described below:-

SCHEDULE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY & SECURITY

SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY - All that piece and parcel of the immoveable property bearing site No. 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 & 36 earlier Katha No. 342 and the new Katha No. 343 of BMP No. 15 situated at 10th cross road, Ramamurthy Nagar Main Road, Banasawadi, Bangalore, measuring east to west 92 feet and north to south 90, in measuring 8280 Sq. Ft and bounded on the:- Boundaries .East: 30 Feet Road.West: 30 Feet Road.North:Site No. 30 and 37.South: Site No. 55 and 52.

SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY - All that piece and parcel of the apartment bearing No. B-1 in the First of "Sai Charan" bearing katha No. 15/3 and PID No. 88-136-15/3 and measuring 970 Sq. Ft of super built up area inclusive of proportionate share in common areas, passages, lobbies, staircases and other areas of common use with one covered car parking space in the basement floor, together with 1/19th or 435.789 Sq.Ft undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in the land comprised in the A Schedule property.

Place : Kottayam Sd/-
Date : 05-03-2025 AUTHORISED OFFICER. H D F C Bank Ltd

ANDHRA PRADESH TOURISM AUTHORITY (APTA)
GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

5th Floor, Stalin Corporate Building, Auto Nagar, Vijayawada

Tener No: 14021/24/2025, Dt: 13-03-2025

Andhra Pradesh Tourism will be participating in the Travel and Trade Fair (TTF) Chennai 2025, scheduled to be held from 21st to 23rd March, 2025 at Chennai Trade Centre. The primary objective of this participation is to promote Andhra Pradesh as a premier travel destination and to provide a platform for stakeholders and State Governments to showcase their tourism products. In this regard, Andhra Pradesh Tourism requires the services of a professional agency with prior experience in handling assignments of a similar nature at international and national fairs and exhibitions for the conceptualization, design and construction of the Andhra Pradesh Pavilion, along with the provision of ancillary services during the event.

The detailed RFP copy can be downloaded from website www.aptourism.gov.in.
The last date for submission of bids is 16:00 on 17-03-2025.

Sd/- CEO, APTA

DIPR No.3602PP/CL/ADVT/1/1/2021-22, Dt.13/03/2025

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN:U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No:506/BEL/SE(E)Circle/Project/AEE(C)/24-25/9223-31 Date:13.03.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION

KPTCL invites bids for R&M work (E- Procurement) coming under the jurisdiction of Superintending Engineer (Elecl), Projects, Circle, KPTCL, Belagavi.

The detailed notifications regarding the above Civil Engineering works enquiry in the KPPP process can be obtained by logging on to hyperlink "E Procurement KPTCL" on KPTCL website **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** & **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **17:30 Hrs on 15.03.2025.** Other details can be obtained from this office during the office hours.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer(Ele),
Projects Circle, KPTCL, Belagavi.

THE CITIZEN CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

No.651/A, 1st Main Road, 'D' Block, 2nd Satge, Dr. Rajkumar Road, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560010.Phone : 080 - 2332 1923, 2332 8735, 2352 0466
E-mail : citizenbk@rediffmail.com

POSSESSION NOTICE See Rule - 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **The Citizen Co-Op Bank Ltd.,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued a demand notice dated **11.12.2024** calling upon the borrower **(1) Mrs. T Jyothi** W/o H Prasad, **(2) Mr. H Prasad, Both are residing at:** No.24 (675), 2nd Cross, Vrushabavathinagara, Kamakshipalya, Bengaluru-560079., to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.27,02,774/-** (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs Two Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Four Only) as on **04.12.2024** within 60 cays from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the day of **11th March of the year 2025.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **The Citizen Co-Op Bank Ltd., Rajajingar, Bangalore,** for an amount of **Rs.27,02,774/-** (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs Two Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Four Only) as on **04.12.2024** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property

All that part and parcel of property bearing No.1, Carved out of Sy. No.34 of Kamakshipalya Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, now within the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No.17, Rushabavathinagara, in 12th 'A' main, Bengaluru Kamakshipalya, Bengaluru with PID No.17-15-01 and measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet and construction thereon property bounded by the following boundaries: East: Property belongs to Sri. Puttaiah, West: Road, North: Road, South: Property belongs to Sri. Ramachandra.

Date : 11.03.2025 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place: Bangalore The Citizen Co-Op Bank Ltd.

MYSORE PAINTS AND VARNISH LTD.,

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
New Bannimatap Extension, Mysore – 570015
Telephone Number: 0821-2497469/2493831,
e-mail - admin-mpvl@karnataka.gov.in/
accts-mpvl@karnataka.gov.in
Website – www.mysorepaints.karnataka.gov.in
Ref: MPVL/SECY/CS/2024-25/1674 Dated: 14.03.2025

INVITATION FOR EOI/QUOTATION

MPVL, a Government of Karnataka Undertaking, having registered office at the above address, requires the Professional Services as detailed below from the qualified Service provider for a period of One Year/ Financial Years 2025-26.

1. Practicing Company Secretary. 2. Cost Accountant. 3. Internal Auditor

The details of Terms, Conditions along with Scope of Work, procedure to apply are uploaded in the Company's Official website i.e. www.mysorepaints.karnataka.gov.in and the same may be downloaded or it can be collected from MPVL Head Office in the above mentioned address during working hours.

Those who are interested to work on the Terms, Conditions along with Scope of Work and Assignments is to submit their EoI's/Quotations in a sealed cover to reach this office **on or before 5-00 pm 21.03.2025.**

Note: It is requested to all parties who are participating, please go through the details of procedure to apply, Terms, Conditions along with Scope of Work and Assignments thoroughly, before submitting their EoI/ Quotations. Any shortfall in documents/testament submitted by the participating parties will not be considered for evaluation and same shall be rejected.

For Mysore Paints & Varnish Ltd.,
Sd/-
Managing Director

RAIL COACH FACTORY, KAPURTHALA

On-line bids are invited by PCMM, RCF on behalf of President of India for following items:-

Sr. No.	Tender No. and Due Date	Description	Quantity (Nos./Sets /Cum)	EMD (Rs.)
1.	05251112 22/04/2025	SET OF END CONSTRUCTION (3 items); **PL No.:** 31154918	12 Set	1,04,280/-
	PL No.: 31985385		10 Nos	
	PL No.: 31985415		10 Nos	
2.	14251026 01/04/2025	LIQUID ARGON GAS,	91050 Cum	1,50,400/-
3.	05251098 09/04/2025	BRACKET COMPLETE **PL NO./Item Code:** 33550219	39947 Nos.	89,840/-
4.	01241419A 09/04/2025	Centering Disc	10415 Nos.	70,790/-
5.	02251044 11/04/2025	Switch plate assly (04 Types)	1313 Set.	12,34,820/-

1. For details and making On-line bids, visit **Website http://ireps.gov.in** Drawings/specifications, wherever required can be downloaded from RCF Website http://www.rcf.indianrailways.gov.in. Class III-b digital signature certificate required for on-line bidding, can be obtained from licensed certifying agencies listed at **http://www.cce.gov.in., 2.**Tenders will close at **14.25 HRS.** on due date and Tender will be opened at **14.30 HRS** for **Sr. No. 1 to 3 at RCF Kapurthala (Punjab) and for Sr. No. 4 & 5 at Tilak Bridge, New Delhi-110002, 3.**Tenderers are Advised to Submit the Tender Cost Online Through Electronic Mode Through Payment Gateway Facility On The IEPS Website., **4.** For quarries, contact IREPS Helpdesk at **011-24102855,011-24105180 or RCF helpdesk at 011-23370897, 2337865.**

PCMM

CORRIGENDUM

1). Tender No.: 05251033, **Description:** Secondary Energy Absorber Assly., Due Date to be read as **"19/03/2025"** instead of **"10/03/2025", 2). Tender No.:** 13255050, **Description:** Upgradation of Existing LAN in Design & CAD Halls, Due Date to be read as **"24/03/2025"** instead of **"11/03/2025", 3). Tender No.:** 17251072, **Description:** Description is modified for all items., Due Date to be read as **"17/03/2025"** instead of **"10/03/2025", 4). Tender No.:** 17241462, **Description:** SET OF PILLAR ASSEMBLY BOLTED TYPE FOR AMRIT BHARAT SCN COACHES., Due Date to be read as **"20/03/2025"** instead of **"10/03/2025", 5). Tender No.:** 17241207B, **Description:** VERIOUS TYPE OF INTERIOR STICKERS WITH BRAILLE, Due Date to be read as **"20/03/2025"** instead of **"13/03/2025"**

Dy. CMM

No. 135-S/2024-25 Date: 13.03.2025

NYAYAMITRA SAHAKARI BANK NIYAMITA

City Civil Court Branch, City Civil Court Compound, K.G. Road, Bangalore – 560 009

AUCTION SALE OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

Auction Sale under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 of the under mentioned property mortgaged to the Bank for recovery of the Secured Debt of **Rs. 11,52,235/-** as of **13.03.2025** with interest and other charges there on till the debt is cleared.

Date & Time of Auction	**21.03.2025 at 12:30 P.M.**
Place of Auction	**Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita, City Civil Court Branch, City Civil Court Compound, K.G. Road, Bangalore – 560 009**
Reserved Price	**Rs. 24,58,600/-**
Name of the Borrower	**Smt.Thriveni P.**
Name of the Mortgage	**Smt.Thriveni P.**
Name of the property Owner	**Smt.Thriveni P.**

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

Schedule-A: All that piece and parcel of the immovable residential property bearing BBMP Municipal No.16, PID No. 40-66-16, (Old No. 8), situated at 2nd cross, Anjanappa Layout, Deevatigere Ramanahalli, Bengaluru-560040, BBMP Ward No. 40- (Attiguppe Ward) (Old Site Nos. 32 and 33, carved out of new Sy. No. 51/2 (Old Sy. No. 14), Situated at Deevatige Ramanahalli Village, Kengerei Hobi, Bengaluru South Taluk), measuring East to West 36 feet 1 ½ inches + 41 feet 9 inches/2 and North to South: 64 feet 6 inches and 59 feet 1 inch/2, totally measuring 2406 Sq.feet, along with structures standing thereon and bounded on the:- East by: Road, West by: Properties of Smt.Jayamma and Rangappa, North by: Azeemabi's and Anandappa's Property, South by: 30 feet wide road.

Schedule–B (conveyed in favor of the Loan applicant): All that piece and parcel of a portion of the schedule 'A' property, situated on middle-eastern side of the schedule 'A' property bearing BBMP municipal No.16 (old No. 8), PID No. 40-66-16, (Now New Municipal No.16/2, PID No.40-66-16/2), situated at 2nd cross, Anjanappa Layout, Deevatigere Ramanahalli, Bengaluru - 560040, BBMP ward No. 40 (old), new BBMP ward No. 132 (Attiguppe Ward), measuring east to west 17.25 feet + 19.08 feet/2 and north to south 24.50 feet + 25.50 feet /2, plus 7.5 feet x 4 feet, totally measuring 484 sq. feet, with electricity connection bearing No.N2LG25447 and bounded on the :- East by: Road, West by: Common passage and thereafter the property sold to Smt. Bhagyalakshmi P. and Mahalakshmi P., North by: Portion of the Schedule 'A' property sold to Chandra V. and thereafter property of Azeemabi's & Anandappa, South by: Middle-Eastern side of the schedule 'A' property sold to Smt. Manjula P.

TERMS AND CONDITION OF SALE

1. The Bidder should deposit EMD of Rs.10,000/- and obtain the Receipt well before the time of auction and the successful bidder fails to fulfill the condition of auction the EMD shall be forfeited.
2. The successful bidder has to pay 25% of the bid amount (inclusive of EMD) on the same day by way of cash or DD.
3. The successful bidder should bear all the expenses connected with registration/transfer etc.
4. The authorized officer may accept or reject the auction sale without assigning any reason there of.
5. The Bank is in no way responsible for any dues in respect of tax and any other expenses.
6. For inspection and any other information relating to this auction the intending bidders may contact The Manager, Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita, Vakilara Bhavana, 3rd Annexe, City Civil Court Compound, Behind Cauvery Bhavan, K.G.Road, Bengaluru-560009, Phone No.080 – 22217077.
7. The Bank is not responsible for any discrepancy in details of land and building.

Sd/-
Date : 13.03.2025 Authorised Officer
Place : Bangalore Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita, Bangalore-9

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STATE BANK OF INDIA

SULIBELE BRANCH (40979) No. 57, VALMIKINAGAR
DEVANAHALLI CROSS, SULIBELE POST, SULIBELE - 562129
Email Id: sbi.40979@sbi.co.in

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 (HEREIN AFTER CALLED THE 'ACT')

At the request, The Borrower, has granted by **State Bank of India through SULIBELE BRANCH (40979) Sulibele,** has extended credit facility by way of financial assistance against house property creating security interest in favour of the Bank. The Relevant particulars of the said Credit facilities and the security agreement(s) /document(s) executed by borrower are stated in Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" respectively to the below mentioned individuals against secured assets through its Branch as under. The relevant particulars of the property on which you have created security interest by execution of security agreement / documents & creation of mortgage by way of deposit of the title deeds are also furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/credit facilities have become irregular the debt has been classified **as Non Performing Asset dated 18.02.2025** in accordance with the directives/guideliness issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrower in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. **As the demand notice dated : 28.02.2025** as mentioned below sent by register AD calling upon you, was unserved/ not acknowledged, this notice is now issued to the borrower by the paper publication through Newspapers as per the provisions of the said Act.

A/c No. 40610088098/42476966945/DRS

1). Name & Address of the Borrower : To. Sri. Harish KR S/o Ramakrishnappa, a) # Hasigala Village & Post, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District - 562129, b) Dreems Bakery & Sweets, D Cross, Sulibele Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District- 562129. **Guarantor: Mrs. Yelamma W/o Ramakrishnappa,** Res@ # Kadahalli Village, Vemgal Hobli, Kolar Taluk & District.
Liability : Rs. 33,20,001/- (Rupees Thirty-Three Lakh Twenty Thousand and One Rupee only) inclusive of interest as on 27.02.2025
Description of the mortgaged Immovable Property : All that piece and parcel of the Immovable property bearing Panchayath Old Katha No. 155, Present Katha No. 155, Present E- Katha No. 151900704000400169, Measuring North-South (East & West side) (30.00+33.00/2) & East West (North & South side) (49.00) [1470sqft] Situated at Kadahalli Village, Ammanallur Grama panchayath, Vemgal Hobli, Kolar Taluk & District. within the Jurisdiction of Kolar Sub registrar office and bounded on. **East by :** Ramakrishnappa, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Munikrishnappa now vacant site belongs to Ramachandrappa.

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. The Borrower are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Bank rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of the Bank and is empowered to issued this notice and exercise powers under Section 13 of the aforesaid Act.

Date: 13.03.2025 **Sd/- Chief Manager/Authorised Officer,**
Place: Sulibele Branch **State Bank of India, Sulibele Branch**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government Of India Undertaking)

Regional Office West,
Chitrapura Mutt Complex, 8th Main, Malleshwaram 15th Cross, Bengaluru -560055

DEMAND NOTICE [SECTION 13(2)]
TO BORROWERS/GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Canara Bank, Regional Office West, Bengaluru** had issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledged returned due to non-availability of addresses at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notice sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. The contents of the said notice are mentioned herein below.

1. Name and Address of the Borrowers/ Co-Borrowers/Mortgagors/ Guarantors:
1. Mr Sameer Bharadwaj S/o Mr S K Anantha, No 343, Ground Floor, Sadguru Nilayam, 1st Main, New BDA Layout, Avalahalli, Bengaluru-560 085. **1A. Mr Sameer Bharadwaj** S/o Mr S K Anantha, No 820, 1st E Main Road, 2nd Phase, Rajendra Prasad Road, Girinagar, Bengaluru-560 085. **2. Mr Raja K C** No 30/8, Kapila River, 5th Main, Dattatreya Nagar, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru-560085. **2A. Mr Raja K C** No 322, 4th Main, 7th Cross, BDA Layout, Avalahalli, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru-560 085.

[Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower]

Loan No.	Nature of Loan	Limit	Date of Sanction	Liability with interest as on Date 10.03.2025	Rate of Interest
07856190 05631	Housing Loan	Rs 36,00,000/-	08-03-2017	Rs. 51,69,958.03	11.50% p.a + 2% penal interest + GST

Total Liability Amount due to RajajiNagar 2nd Block Branch: Rs.51,69,958.03 (Rupees Fifty One Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Eight Rupees and Three Paise Only) **as on 10.03.2025** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

NPA Date : 09.01.2022 **Demand Notice Dated : 10.03.2025**

Details of security assets Immovable Property Details:

Name of Title Holder : Mr Sameer Bharadwaj.

SCHEDULE A: Item-I: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing converted land bearing Old Sy No 79, New Sy No 79/2 situated at Hirandahally Village, Bidarahally Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, presently Bangalore East Taluk measuring about 1 acre with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the East by : Sy No 78 belonging to Mr Ramaprasad, West by : Remaining portion of Land in Survey No 79/1, North by : Land bearing present Sy No 80/4 (Item II property), South by : Sy No 79/1 belonging to Mr H M Ramappa.

Item –II: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing converted land bearing Sy No 80/4, situated at Hirandahally Village, Bidarahally Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, presently Bangalore East Taluk measuring about 23 Guntas with all rights , appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the East by : Sy No 78 belonging to Mr M Ramaiah, West by : Sy No 80/3 belonging to Mr Yalanagamma, North by : Road, South by : Land bearing Old Sy No 79, present Sy No 79/2(Item-I Property).

COMPOSITE SCHEDULE B PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of Property presently bearing Katha Nos 615/79/2 and 1420/80/4, converted land bearing Old Sy No 79, New Sy No 79/2 measuring about 1 Acre, Sy No 80/4, measuring about 23 Guntas situated at Hirandahally Village, Bidarahally Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk presently Bangalore East Taluk, both the lands together measures about 1 Acre 23 Guntas with all rights , appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the East by : Sy No 78, West by : Sy No 79/1, 80/3, North by : Road, South by : Sy No 79/1.

SCHEDULE C : Flat bearing No 326 in the third floor of the Apartment building known as "PINNACLE" having a super built up area of 1000 Sq feet containing Two bed rooms, along with one car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase etc., together with 333 Sq feet undivided share of the land comprised in Schedule A Property.

You are here by called upon to pay **Canara Bank,** within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the respective amount mentioned here above, failing which **Canara Bank** will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers, Guarantors & Mortgagers. The powers available to **Canara Bank** under the Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by **Canara Bank** shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice and also Hypothecated / Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section (13)2 of the said Act.

Date : 13.03.2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Canara Bank**

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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION, ENGINEER RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, BERHAMPUR

(At/Po- Ambapua, Near Income Tax office, Berhampur-760011, Ganjam, Odisha)
(E-Mail:- serwbpr2004@yahoo.com, Tel No.:- 0680-2404287)

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement
O-1599 **Bid Identification No. Online Tender /34-2024-25/ BPR**

Identification No	Name of work	No. of Works	Approx. Estimated Cost (In lakh)	Class of Contractor	Period of Completion
Online Tender / 34-2024-25/ BPR	Road Works under PERIODICAL MAINTENANCE	01 No.	Rs.177.74 lakhs	"B" Class & "A" Class as applicable	04 (Four) calendar Month as provided

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No	Availability of tender online for bidding	
		From	To
Chief Construction Engineer, R.W.Circle, Berhampur	Online Tender / 24-2024-25/BPR	18.03.2025 at 10.00 A.M.	02.04.2025 upto 5.30 P.M.

(i) EMD / Bid Security, Cost of Bid document is to be transferred through Online as per the procedure mentioned in the DTCN.

(ii) Non-submission of the information/documents through online by the bidder as per the items mentioned in the eligible criteria of the DTCN will also liable for rejection of his tender.

Further details & Corrigendum if any can be seen from the website: - **https://tendersodisha.gov.in**

OIPR-25071/11/0063/2425 **Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer, R.W.Circle, Berhampur**

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, BARIPADA

E_Mail ID : serwcbaripada@gmail.com,
Ph-No-06792-261343/261344, Gangraj, Baripada

"e" Procurement Notice for Plan Road Work

Identification No.- Online Tender- Road N.C.B. No. 370 for 2024-25.

O-1593 **Letter No.1110/ Date.07.03.2025**

1 Name of the work :- Road Works in the District of Mayurbhanj for the year 2024-25.
2. Total No. of work :- 03 Nos. (Three)
3. Estimated Cost :- Rs.302.59 Lakhs to Rs.478.79 Lakhs (approximately).
4. Eligible Class of Contractor :- As per annexure
5. Period of Completion :- As per an nexure.
6. Other details

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of tender Online for bidding		Last Date & Time of seeking Tender Clarification	Date & Time of Opening of Tender in O/O C.C.E.R.W. Circle, Baripada.	
		From	To		Technical Bid	Financial Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Baripada	Road On-line **N.C.B. NO.370**	Dt. 17.03.2025 at 11.00 A.M.	Dt. 02.04.2025 up to 5.00 P.M.	Dt. 29.03.2025 up to 5.00 P.M.	Dt. 03.04.2025 at 11.00 A.M.	Will be intimated later

• Further details can be seen from the website: **www.tendersodisha.gov.in.**
• Any Corrigendum / Addendum will be displayed in the above e_tender website only.

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer,
OIPR-25130/11/0024/2425 **R. W. Circle, Baripada**

INDIRA GANDHI INSTITUTE OF CHILD HEALTH

AUTONOMOUS INSTITUTE Established by Govt. of Karnataka
(A Postgraduate Institute of Higher Medical Sciences) Recognised Under Societies Registration Act. Reg. No. 132/85-86, South Hospital Complex, Dharmaram College Post, Bangalore-560029. e-mail: ihealthchild@yahoo.in Website: www.igich.karnataka.gov.in

IFT No.:IGICH/ADMN/SUP2/13/2025-ADMN-IGICH DATE: 12.03.2025

INVITATION FOR TENDERS

Tender for the Procurement of **PICU MEDICAL EQUIPMENTS (Part-2)** invited through GOK e-portal Platform **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** by the **Director, Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, Bangalore -560029** from eligible tenderers for the following mentioned hereunder :-

Sl. No.	DME Indent No.	Equipments	Quantity	EMD in Rs.
		PICU DEPARTMENT		
1	DME/2024-25/ IND1303	ECMO	02 Nos.	1,00,000/-
2		Hemodialysis Machine with OCM BPM	02 Nos.	32,000/-
3		High Frequency Oscillator Ventilator for Paediatric	02 Nos.	50,000/-
4		Transport Ventilator	02 Nos.	30,000/-
5		Video Paediatric bronchoscope	02 Nos.	80,000/-
6		Invasive Cardiac output Monitor	04 Nos.	16,000/-
7		Cardiac table	30 Nos.	75,000/-
8		Non-invasive Monitor fluid therapy system	04 Nos.	24,000/-

Tender Processing charges : **As per https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

Tender documents may be downloaded from : **12.03.2025.** Pre-bid Meeting: **24.03.2025 at 12.00 pm at office of the Director, IGICH, Bangalore.** Queries (only for online **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) : Before 25.03.2025, 12.00 pm.** Last date for sale of tender document : **11.04.2024 upto 3.00 pm.** Last date and time for receipt of tenders: **11.04.2025 upto 4.00 pm.** Last date and time for opening of Cover-1 of Tenders : **15.04.2025 at 4.00 pm.** For further details visit GoK e-portal website: **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or contact e-portal helpdesk on **080-25501216, 080-25501227**

Sd/- DIRECTOR
DIPR/CP/YC/5630/2024-25 **Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, Bengaluru**

EDITORIAL

"The ruling class can be a rose with thorns. It should not show off like a hedgehog" — M Karunanidhi

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— Ramnath Goenka

LOWER INFLATION RAISES RATE CUT HOPES, GLOBAL DYNAMICS STAY VOLATILE

INDIA'S retail inflation eased to a 7-month low of 3.61 percent in February from 4.31 percent in January, thanks to softening food prices. The latest inflation print not only fell below RBI's medium-term target of 4 percent—a first since August 2024—but also is the fourth consecutive monthly moderation, which in turn confirms a durable decline in price rise. Food prices, which constitute over 40 percent of the Consumer Price Index, significantly helped in cooling down overall inflation. In February, food inflation fell to 3.75 percent from 5.97 percent the month before, driven by lower prices of vegetables, egg and meat. If softening food prices are widely expected to ease households' spending burden, the slower-than-expected inflation print firmly indicates the prospect of a policy rate cut next month. Analysts expect a reduction of at least 50 basis points between April and August.

The RBI began its rate-easing cycle with a 25 bps cut last month. It's now expected that inflation will likely undershoot estimates by 40-50 bps in the current quarter, increasing the chances of a repo rate cut in April, as reflected by the minutes of the monetary policy committee meet last month. For 2024-25, the central bank has projected a headline inflation of 4.8 percent, with the fourth-quarter average at 4.4 percent. But analysts expect it to print lower, providing ample room to ease rates while supporting growth. Liquidity in the banking system has been tight in the last few months due to slower government spending, foreign exchange interventions to support the rupee and heavy selling by foreign portfolio investors. The RBI has infused about ₹3 lakh crore of durable liquidity and is expected to infuse another ₹2 lakh crore, which could help in the transmission of rate cuts.

That said, the global dynamics remain volatile and the central bank needs to be vigilant to counter oil price shocks, geopolitical risks and domestic pricing pressures. For instance, core inflation, a better gauge of domestic demand, soared to a 16-month high of 4.2 percent in February owing to higher gold prices, among other reasons. For 2024-25, core inflation is projected at 3.6 percent; but analysts believe it will likely hover around 4 percent in the coming months. Above all, fragile global growth prospects, a full-blown trade war and looming recession in the US may scupper carefully-mapped plans to contain inflation.

KOPPAL RAPE REIGNITES CALL FOR TOURIST POLICE

THE shocking gangrape of two women in Koppal militates against India's oft-repeated phrase, '*Atithi devo bhava*', or treating every guest as god. On March 6 night, two women—an Israeli tourist and a local homestay owner—were allegedly gang-raped by three miscreants after the victims' three male friends, including an American tourist, were assaulted and thrown into the Tungabhadra canal in Karnataka's Koppal. While two swam back to safety, one tourist from Odisha drowned.

There have been several such attacks on tourists in recent times. A British woman was allegedly raped by a man in a hotel in Delhi's Mahipalpur area on Tuesday; the woman complained that another man molested her in the hotel's lift when she went asking for help. Last October, a 21-year-old youth died after a few local miscreants attacked the occupants of a farmhouse in Chikkanahalli near Bengaluru. In March 2017, a 28-year-old Irish-British national was raped and murdered in Goa's Canacona village; a local resident was found guilty last month and sentenced to rigorous life imprisonment.

The shockwaves from the Koppal incident led to tourists fleeing the town. In a typical knee-jerk reaction, the authorities raided the town's homestays. It was then discovered that 117 homestays in and around Hampi and Koppal were unregistered despite the Karnataka Tourism Act making it mandatory. Incidents like these threaten the image of Indian tourism. This does not bode well for the World Travel & Tourism Council's projection of Indian tourism doubling in revenues from the current $256 billion to $523 billion in a decade, and foreign tourist arrivals growing from 9.24 million in 2023 to 30.5 million in 2028. The industry currently sustains 4.5 crore Indians and is forecast to contribute ₹43,25,000 crore to the GDP by 2034.

If this rosy projection is to be realised, protection of tourists—both domestic and foreign—becomes an imperative even as Indian police forces face a 20 percent shortage in personnel. Although trained and registered tourist guides are present across the country, the need of the hour is an exclusive tourist police force for their protection and safety awareness. If the much-used Sanskrit phrase is to be honoured as a goal, the effort should start with protection of tourists.

QUICK TAKE

LET'S PLAY WITH E-COLOURS

OLD-world things slapped with the prefix 'e' sound spiffy in today's digital age. Examples include email, e-governance and even the terrible-sounding e-filing of taxes. So why not embrace e-Holi? Look at the benefits. Those allergic to being splashed with colours can avoid breaking out in a rash and enjoy the festival with online clicks and interactive GIFs. Women would avoid unwanted physical contact in the name of customary playfulness. And those tasked with cleaning the enormous garbage generated on the day can rest easy. Those bemoaning a loss of tradition can go back to the day's original commemoration—spring harvest and land fertility.

We can't weaken the democratic principle of valuing all citizens equally, nor punish the south for better governance. A stronger Rajya Sabha and more decentralisation are better options

REIMAGINE POLITICAL SYSTEM TO SOLVE DELIMITATION PUZZLE

SHASHI THAROOR

Fourth-term Lok Sabha MP from Thiruvananthapuram and the Sahitya Akademi winning author of 24 books, most recently *Ambedkar: A Life*

SOURAV ROY

TAMIL Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin's decision to "up the ante" on the north-south divide by constituting a joint action committee to fight against the proposed re-delimitation of parliamentary constituencies after the next census has brought this vexed issue to the forefront.

His logic is clear and supported by recent history. In 1976, the omnibus 42nd Amendment to the Constitution froze for 25 years the allocation of Lok Sabha seats on the basis of the 1971 census to encourage population control, by assuring states that success in limiting population would not lose them Lok Sabha seats. In 2001, Vajpayee's NDA government extended this arrangement for another 25 years in what became the 84th Amendment.

The thinking was based on the sound principle that the reward for responsible stewardship of development could not be political disenfranchisement. While a democracy must value all its citizens equally—whether they live in a progressive state or one that, by failing to empower its women and reducing total fertility, has allowed its population to shoot up—no federal democracy can live with the perception that states would lose political clout if they develop well, while others would gain more seats in parliament as a reward for failure.

The southern states have prospered while curbing their populations. While northern states like Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh had a decadal population growth of over 20 percent between 2001 and 2011, southern states like undivided Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu grew at less than 16 percent. Kerala has the country's lowest growth rate (4.9 percent over 2001-11, or less than half a percent a year). That is one-fifth of Bihar's. When the next census is conducted, it will almost certainly show that Kerala has lost population since 2011. Andhra Pradesh may well find itself in the same boat.

Thus, the four southern states have a much smaller population than their northern counterparts, having seen lower population growth for a generation or more. They already see themselves as being punished for their success by getting much less from the pool of central tax revenues than they used to. But an even more serious consequence will be on the vital issue of political representation in our parliament.

When the 84th Amendment lapses in 2026, it will free the Union government to redraw political boundaries to allot parliamentary seats on the basis of population. The result will be to give the Hindi-speaking states overwhelming clout in our nation's politics—possibly even a two-thirds majority, sufficient to amend the Constitution at will. Where will that leave the south?

New Delhi's logic is equally clear: it rests on the hallowed democratic principle of 'one citizen, one vote, one value'. Why should 18 lakh Malayali be able to elect an MP when it takes 27 lakh UPites to send one to the Lok Sabha?

Home Minister Amit Shah has tried to mollify Stalin by assuring him publicly that no southern state would lose any seat in the re-delimitation. That can only mean one thing: that the Union intends to reward the more populous northern states with additional seats, thereby taking the overall total much higher than the present 543 in the Lok Sabha. Some figures suggest a new Lok Sabha of some 700 members, while others point out ominously that the new parliament building has seats for 848 Lok Sabha members.

Such a prospect appals many who are already dismayed by the declining standards of parliamentary debate and absence of the forensic argument and witty repartee that made stars out of effective parliamentarians like Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Nath Pai or Piloo Modi. A parliament of 700-plus, they fear, will be even less able to debate any issue meaningfully. MPs who never get a chance to speak will be all the more willing to resort to the slogan-shouting and disruption that has already become a hallmark. At the other end of the spectrum of possibilities, the nation's premier debating chamber will be reduced to something akin to the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, a body too large for meaningful discussion, reduced to dutifully ratifying the government's decisions.

But what can be done? We cannot deny the principle that the more populous states are entitled to the representation they deserve in Delhi. Equally, we cannot overlook the fear in the south that their sensitivities will be overridden by a parliamentary majority of Hindiwallahs indifferent to their language, culture, history and aspirations. How can we, in the interests of democracy, federalism and national unity, reconcile the two concerns?

A look around the world's democracies indicates that a number of possible solutions exist. But they would all require a radical reimagining of our political system.

One is to create a system of proportional representation that would allocate seats based on the percentage of votes received by each party, rather than the number of constituencies won; but this would not get around the basic fact that northerners would still account for an overwhelming majority of voters. Some have suggested introducing a weighted voting system in parliament, where the votes of MPs from states with lower populations would carry more weight; but this would be hugely difficult to design and impractical to implement.

The best idea would be to borrow a page from the US book and transform the Upper House. In the US, all 50 states have an equal voice, since each has two senators—whether it is California with 40 million inhabitants or Wyoming with just half a million. That gives small states disproportionate influence in national decision-making. The same method could ensure that the southern states' voices are adequately represented in the Rajya Sabha, whose consent would be essential to pass bills and amend the Constitution.

Instead, Stalin has suggested amending the Constitution to extend the freeze on delimitation based on the 1971 census for another 30 years. This would allow time for further discussions, but would leave the north feeling cheated after the next census.

The best way out might yet be to decentralise power and grant more autonomy to states. If parliament could take only a handful of decisions and key legislation affecting the daily lives of citizens occurred in the state assemblies, would under-representation in the Lok Sabha matter that much? Decentralisation would allow states to have greater control over their own affairs and reduce the perceived dominance of the Union government. It would have to be accompanied by greater control by states over their own tax resources. But that's another debate.

(Views are personal)
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THE CASE FOR LESS LEGALESE

SAAI SUDHARSAN SATHIYAMOORTHY

Advocate, Madras High Court

THE turn of the 18th century was a time of optimism and complacency in England. The constitutional settlement of 1689, which had established the requirement for the crown to seek parliament's consent, largely ensured the preservation of the ruling classes' interests, leading Roland K Wilson to later claim that the period did not see a single statute that honestly intended to promote the public's well-being.

The common law was also in an almost fossilised state. Extremely complicated rules of procedure, and asinine and obsolete rules of evidence were present, delaying resolution of disputes while making justice costly for the common man.

It was around this time that a young, precocious Jeremy Bentham attended a lecture of the venerable William Blackstone, whose *Commentaries on the Laws of England* are still a mainstay in legal education. Bentham, however, instantly spurned Blackstone and his ecstatic adulation for the English legal system. For Bentham, the near obsolete features of 18th-century English law and its lack of interest in systematic codification of statutes were as much a consequence of the reactionary attitude of those in power as it were a result of the preference of lawyers and lawmakers to benefit financially. In his view, the law should not be an esoteric realm, navigable only by the initiated, but a transparent guide for society, illuminating the path to righteousness with the light of wisdom.

In acknowledgement of this pronounced state of disarray, he resolved to dedicate his life to the pursuit of legal reform. In his *Introduction to the Principles of Morals and Legislation* (1789), Bentham famously stated that "nature has placed mankind under the governance of two sovereign masters, pain and pleasure... The principle of utility recognises this subjection, and assumes it for the foundation of that system, the object of which is to rear the fabric of felicity by the hands of reasons and of law."

Given that the primary objective of a legislation is to safeguard the rights and expectations of individuals, it is essential for all laws to be readily understood by everyone and be readily available to them. To him, the judge made law, which he believed led to the law becoming inaccessible and incognisable, and was "dog-law" that had to be reformed and codified for the larger good.

While his confidence in the promise of codification of law as a tool for social change might have been exaggerated—with realisation of the constraints inherent in codified statutory provisions—the fundamental premise has nonetheless remained intact and broadly accepted. We continue to evaluate laws based on their practical effectiveness, cognisability and the outcomes they produce. Where reform is warranted, we typically seek to implement them through systematic legislative processes.

Consequently, the fundamental tenets of the rule of law, as we see them today, demand that citizens have a reasonable opportunity to understand the rules that bind them. As Lon L Fuller famously argued, legal directives must be comprehensible, clear, and relatively stable in order to effectively guide conduct and maintain legal legitimacy. After all, law is not merely about having rules on paper—it requires genuine fidelity to principles of legality in both form and practice.

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> Our legal statutes are complex linguistic mazes rather than straightforward guides. Jeremy Bentham noted that when the law becomes unintelligible to all but a priestly class of lawyers and judges, it ceases to be a meaningful check on state power

Frequently, however, our statutes appear to be complex mazes rather than straightforward guides, characterised by sophisticated yet convoluted terminology, intricate yet obtuse and obscurantist provisions, and opaque, vacuous cross-references that hinder a clear comprehension. As Lord Radcliffe had intoned in 1950, "A sort of hieratic language has developed by which the priests incant the commandments. I seem to see the ordinary citizen today standing before the law like the laity in a medieval church: at the far end the lights glow, the priestly figures move to and fro, but it is in an unknown tongue that the great mysteries of right and wrong are proclaimed."

This plague of legislative complexity seems to be alive and well even today. It not only undercuts the basic Fullerian principles of legality but also raises grave concerns from the standpoints of due process, equal protection, and separation of powers. When the law becomes unintelligible to all but a priestly caste of lawyers and judges, it ceases to function as a meaningful check on state power and devolves into a tool of capricious tyranny.

The legislature, however, is not expected to—and should not—trade clarity for simplicity and of course, no process can completely eliminate all indeterminacy and ambiguity. What is expected of the legislature, rather, is a vigorous commitment to plain English in drafting. Such an approach could go a long way toward alleviating the widespread confusion and inequity that arise from our complex statutory framework. The use of active voice, shorter sentences and clearer structure can transform incomprehensible legalese into accessible text without sacrificing precision. The costs of complexity—in compliance burdens, litigation expenses and a weaker rule of law—are simply too high to continue with business as usual.

As such, the efforts of the government to reform laws, especially the very obtuse Income Tax Act, is laudable. The new Income Tax Bill seeks to reduce redundancies and length of provisions, while attempting to keep the drafting style "straightforward and clear". For a legislation that has seen more than 4,000 amendments, it is obvious that effort has been made to reform the legislative framework to prioritise not only linguistic clarity but also structural coherence.

What is equally important, one must add, is the understanding that a law's authority also stems from its integrity—its coherence with fundamental principles of fairness, informed deliberation and due process. In an era of mounting social complexity and eroding trust in public institutions, the legitimacy of the law depends on its ability to be understood, to be deliberated on and applied by those it governs.

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Caste burden

Ref: *Time to look at allegations of caste bias within church* (Mar 13). One main reason stated for conversion to Christianity by SC communities was the discrimination in Hindu society. When they carried the burden to the church, instead of approaching the courts, they should have rebelled by renouncing Catholicism and rejoining the Hindu fold as the clergy cheated them.
Duggaraju Srinivasa Rao, Vijayawada

CPM's capitalism

Ref: *CPM changing dogmatic stance good for Kerala* (Mar 13). It is heartening to learn that wisdom has dawned, at long last, on Kerala's left dispensation to accept private participation in higher education and industry. Market economy is a global trend and one can't go against the current.
G Nataraja Perumal, Elathur

Transactional Trump

Ref: *Trump transactions spell trouble for transatlantic pacts* (Mar 13). US President Donald Trump's transactional approach to diplomacy, prioritising short-term economic or political gains over long-term alliances, has strained transatlantic relationships. This shift undermines traditional diplomatic stability, as European nations grow wary of unpredictable policies that could disrupt economic and security arrangements.
Narayanan Kizhumundayur, Thrissur

Blacksmiths' contributions

Ref: *The import of iron age discoveries in Tamil Nadu* (Mar 13). It is unfortunate to find no reference to the community of blacksmiths in Tamil Nadu and Kerala, who were the original authors of the great metallurgy history that Indians now take pride in. It's time everyone acknowledged blacksmiths' contributions to the nation's civilisational progress.
Sundara Raj M, Mannurkara

Fearless poetry

The evocative review of '*My Sunset Marriage*' was well appreciated. Hoshang Merchant is an icon whose poetry has been motivating for queer people and his fearless voice continues to offer courage and comfort. As an artist, I especially appreciated the mention of the book's cover art—its playfulness mirrors Merchant's meaningful verses.
Aditya Raj, email

Unflinching Merchant

Hoshang Merchant remains a trailblazing figure, his poetry serving as both an inspiration and a refuge for the queer community. His bold, unflinching voice continues to resonate deeply.
Monica N, email

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Piyush Goyal @PiyushGoyal
Oilfields (Regulation & Development) Amendment Bill, will be game changer in simplifying regulation, boosting investment, strengthening energy security

Pawan Khera @Pawankhera
Those who promote communal animosity in name of Holi and Jumma probably do not know in last 25 years, Holi and Jumma have come together 6 times

Shivraj Singh Chouhan @ChouhanShivraj
This success story, as beautiful as Holi colours, is of sisters of Jharkhand... More than 700 sisters have together made a natural, safe herbal gulal 'Palash'

CBI probe into officials' role in gold smuggling

After DRI letter, agency files FIR against unidentified public servants

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has initiated an investigation into the suspected involvement of public servants in aiding gold smuggling from Dubai, following a complaint filed by the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI), sources said.

The DRI had recently made two arrests, including that of actor Ranya Rao, in Bengaluru, officials confirmed on Thursday. The DRI arrested Ranya at the Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) under Customs Act, 1962 for smuggling 14.2 kg of gold worth ₹12.56 crore. There were 14 gold bars, each weighing 1 kg, strapped on her thighs with tape and bandages. This was followed by the arrest of two foreign nationals, an Omani and a UAE citizen, who were caught at Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport in Mumbai on March 6 while attempting to smuggle 21.28 kg of gold, worth Rs 18.92 crore, into India from Dubai.

The DRI arrested her friend Tarun Kondaraju in connection with gold smuggling and presented him in the court on Tuesday. He had accompanied Ranya to Dubai. "These two foreign nationals previously arrived at the Mumbai airport multiple times," the DRI complaint to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) said. Searches at Rao's residence led to the recovery of gold jewellery worth Rs 2.06 crore and Indian currency amounting to Rs 2.67 crore. She also made multiple international travels, including to and from Dubai, officials said.

Ranya Rao's frequent travels — 25 visits to Dubai and other countries in the past year, including four in the fortnight leading up to her arrest — had caught the attention of Customs and Immigration authorities at Kempe Gowda International Airport (KIA), who began profiling her due to her overseas trips.

The rapid succession of these arrests, involving alleged smugglers carrying large quantities of gold from Dubai and the high frequency of these visits by both Indian and foreign nationals, has raised concerns about a possible "coordinated smuggling syndicate" operating out of Dubai, officials said. The DRI roped in the CBI because of the larger national and international ramifications.

"The possibility of the involvement of unknown public servants of the government of India and unknown others, with such coordinated network, needs to be investigated," the DRI said.

Following the letter from the DRI, the CBI swung into action and registered an FIR against unidentified public servants and private individuals.

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has also registered a case of money laundering against Rao and conducted searches.

$1 bn fund to boost creators' economy

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

UNION Minister for Information and Broadcasting (I&B) Ashwini Vaishnaw on Thursday announced a $1 billion dedicated fund to empower talented creators and boost the creator economy.

"Basically, it is to make sure that all our energetic creators-- using the latest technologies today– will be able to access the capital and hone their skills and upgrade production level to reach out to the international market," said the minister.

He was speaking on the sidelines of a high-level session held in New Delhi with about 100 foreign diplomats, including ambassadors and High Commissioners, to introduce the ministry's first World Audio Visual & Entertainment Summit (WAVES).

The event sought to engage the international community before the Summit and ensure maximum foreign participation. The four-day Summit will take place in Mumbai starting on May 1.

Vaishnaw said the fund will be implemented through a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model, and modalities will be released later.

He further informed that 391 crore had been sanctioned to establish the first Indian Institute of Creative Technologies (IICT) in Mumbai. "Soon, with the chief minister of Maharashtra, we will decide the building plan, faculty arrangements, and how to reach out to the media and entertainment sector in the coming days," he said.

Last year, the Union Cabinet approved the establishment of the Indian Institute of Creative Technologies, which would be modelled after premium institutions such as the Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) and the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs).

Present on the occasion were Union Union Minister for External Affairs S Jaishankar, Chief Minister of Maharashtra Devendra Fadnavis, Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting, and Secretary (I&B minister) Sanjay Jaju.

A key highlight of the event was the memorandum of understanding (MoU) exchange between the I&B ministry and the Maharashtra government, which strengthened collaboration in media, entertainment, and digital outreach.

Jaishankar said that WAVES would be a pivotal platform for fostering discussions, collaboration, and innovation in the media and entertainment industry. "This event will unite industry leaders, stakeholders, and innovators to explore opportunities, address challenges, and shape the future of the sector... Economic and political rebalancing is moving towards cultural balancing. We are not truly global if we are not truly local. WAVES 2025 captures the spirit of this endeavour," he said.

He urged the ambassadors and high commissioners to inform their Governments about the opportunities for global collaboration under WAVES 2025.

Fadnavis said that WAVES 2025 is a movement underscoring the evolving role of media in technological advancements and social transformation. "Mumbai, the financial and entertainment capital of India, serves as the perfect backdrop for WAVES 2025, seamlessly blending ancient and modern cultural influences while fostering collaboration and cultural diplomacy in the media and entertainment sector... Maharashtra remains committed to fostering investment and building global partnerships that drive innovation."

WAVES AND ITS COMPONENTS

- First edition of WAVES is designed with multiple tracks to create a meaningful impact; it will address these issues by promoting cultural diversity, innovation, and equitable access to media platforms
- Global Media Dialogue will feature ministers and policymakers, culminating in the WAVES Declaration as a guiding policy document
- WAVES Exhibition will showcase storytelling innovations, immersive experiences, and a gaming arena
- BHARAT PAVILION WILL HIGHLIGHT INDIA'S MEDIA HERITAGE AND FUTURE
- WAVES BAZAAR IS TO FACILITATE BUSINESS NETWORKING
- WaveXcelerator supports media startups with mentorship and funding
- WAVES Culturals will feature diverse performances, blending Indian and international talent
- The four-day Summit will take place in Mumbai starting on May 1. The event sought to engage the international community

Ayush ministry rapped for not utilising funds

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

A parliamentary panel has criticised the Ministry of Ayush for not fully utilising the funds allocated to it and said the Centre "must strive hard to integrate Ayush into mainstream healthcare."

The Ministry aims to enhance AYUSH services, particularly in underserved and remote areas, but it lacks the resources to do so effectively, said the department-related parliamentary standing committee on the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

"The need to establish integrated AYUSH hospitals in many districts has a high financial requirement," the committee, headed by Rajya Sabha MP Prof Ram Gopal Yadav, said.

"The Committee also observes that the Ministry is not fully utilising the funds allocated to it. It is crucial to optimise resource utilisation by implementing strategies that improve the efficiency and effectiveness of existing programmes, focusing on high-impact interventions in priority areas, and establishing robust tracking systems to monitor spending and identify the most effective resource allocation," the Committee noted.

"Simultaneously, a strategic approach to infrastructure expansion is necessary, prioritising the establishment of integrated AYUSH hospitals in underserved districts through a phased approach that aligns with available resources while also exploring cost-effective models for hospital establishment and operation," it added.

The report, which was tabled in both Houses of Parliament on Wednesday, said Ayush must strive hard to integrate Ayush into mainstream healthcare.

"Besides providing Ayush services through PHCs, CHCs, and DHs, significant efforts are required in quality improvement, research and regulatory framework in Ayush healthcare, global collaboration, AYUSH market expansion, sustainable development of medicinal plants, etc. This would not be possible without adequate development of skilled Health Human Resources in the Ayush sector," the Committee said, recommending that the Ministry should develop "mega schemes" in mission mode.

It also recommended that they expedite recruitment process to fill vacant posts so that the Ministry can function efficiently, make concerted efforts to optimally utilise AYUSH resources, and establish the system within a pluralistic healthcare framework.

"The Committee recommends the Ministry take proactive steps to correspond with the 16th Finance Commission and accordingly develop a plan for adequate fund allocation and timely release for the next five years, accelerating AYUSH's growth," the panel said.

The committee also "strongly recommended consolidating all AYUSH drug-related standard-setting processes under a single authoritative body – an independent drug controller of AYUSH – in alignment with the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, and associated rules."

The parliamentary panel urged the Ministry to establish a streamlined and inclusive mechanism that actively involves stakeholders in development of pharmacopoeial standards for greater efficiency and uniformity.

It also suggested that going forward, ties should be established with first-world countries like the UK and US to promote AYUSH among the Indian diaspora and their native citizens. The Committee saw potential in promoting AYUSH-related healthcare travel to India. Accordingly, it urged the Ministry to devise strategies for 'vigorous promotion' of the AYUSH system of medicine in international markets, support investment, and exports to boost Ayush products globally.

What parliamentary panel says

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House panel recommends timely construction of more FCI godowns

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

THE Parliamentary Standing Committee on Consumer Affairs, Food, and Public Distribution, led by DMK MP Kanimozhi Karunanidhi, has recommended measures to enhance the storage capacity of the Food Corporation of India (FCI). These include plans to construct dedicated godowns and conduct a study on the cost-effectiveness of FCI's own storage compared to hired facilities.

The FCI, a public undertaking, has failed to meet its target for constructing new godowns, relying instead on rented spaces from private parties. The panel has recommended conducting a detailed analysis to evaluate the expenses associated with rental liabilities for hired storage facilities versus the costs of maintaining own storage in the states.

"It will provide valuable insights into the true cost-effectiveness of FCI's storage strategy and enable informed decision-making regarding future investments in storage infrastructure," the report said.

In the report on demand for grants for 2024-25 placed in Parliament, the committee also recommended the ministry of food and consumer affairs to formulate an implementation strategy to achieve the new storage construction targets and solve storage-related issues in timely manner.

Though reasons cited for slow pace of construction were delay in land acquisition from the state governments, harsh topographical conditions and inclement weather, the panel suggested the ministry to put in place better planning and management. The report said that against the target of godown construction with 50,100-tonne capacity in 2023-24, the FCI could achieve only 1,760-tonne capacity, utilising ₹52.75 crore.

The panel also recommended a balanced approach to ensure sustainability of domestic oilseed farmers and consumer price stability. "There is a sense of unpredictability among oilseeds farmers as government's policy to import cheaper edible oil discourages them to grow domestically," the report said. The panel recommend that the department monitor and define import duty structures, stock management and strengthen domestic oilseed production.

Meanwhile, the committee has recommended that the ministry ensure a meticulous implementation of the scheme of distribution of fortified rice across the country. "The emphasis should be on the distribution of fortified rice to those states where rice is a staple food to eradicate malnutrition and improve the overall health and well-being of vulnerable populations," the report said.

However, the panel found a disparity in budget estimation and actual expenditure under the capital section during the previous year. It recommended that the ministry adopt a more accurate and informed approach while preparing future budget estimates.

Bilateral ties: India, B'desh naval forces carry out coordinated patrol

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

INDIA and Bangladesh conducted a naval exercise and coordinated patrol in the Bay of Bengal this week that provided an opportunity for both the navies to develop closer links in tactical planning, coordination and information sharing for undertaking seamless maritime operations.

"The India-Bangladesh Naval Exercise Bongosagar 2025 and Coordinated Patrol (Corpat) was conducted in Bay of Bengal this week. The exercise enhanced interoperability between the two navies, facilitating collaborative responses to shared maritime security challenges," the Indian Navy (IN) said on Thursday.

Bongosagar 2025 saw the participation of INS Ranvir from the Indian Navy and BNS Abu

Ubaidah from the Bangladesh Navy, officials said. While Ranvir is a destroyer, the BNS Abu Ubaidah is a frigate.

"The exercise involved a range of complex operations encompassing surface firing, tactical manoeuvres, underway replenishment, visit-board-search-seizure (VBSS) cross boarding, communication drills, quiz for operations team and junior officers on professional topics and steam past," the Navy said.

"The exercise provided the opportunity for both navies to develop closer links in tactical planning, coordination and information sharing for undertaking seamless maritime operations. The exercise has strengthened coordination and confidence between the two navies thereby improving the ability to undertake coordinated operations and respond swiftly and effectively against emerging threats at sea," it said.

"The enhanced synergy of naval operations between the two navies is the testament to the shared commitment of countering global security challenges towards security and stability in the region promoting the Security And Growth for All in the Region (SAGAR) initiative of India," a Naval spokesperson said.

SAGAR was launched in 2015. It is India's strategic vision for the Indian Ocean Region (IOR). Through SAGAR, India seeks to deepen economic and security cooperation with its maritime neighbours and assist in building their maritime security capabilities.

"Our vision for the Indian Ocean Region is rooted in advancing cooperation in our region and to use our capabilities for the benefit of all in our common maritime home," Prime Minister Narendra Modi had said during the launch of the initiative.

SE Asia Network for emergency response mooted

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

INDIA has proposed creation of a South-East Asia Network of transboundary collaborative surveillance, to aid in enhancing multi-source surveillance to strengthen response to health emergencies in the region, the WHO said Thursday.

The proposal will be discussed with the 11 member countries of the World Health Organisation (WHO) South-East Asia Region (SEARO) later this year. The proposal was made during the three-day regional meeting 'Advancing multisource collaborative surveillance in WHO South-East Asia Region.'

At the event, Saima Wazed, Regional Director of the WHO SEARO, said in line with the approaches of multisource collaborative surveillance (MSCS), India has proposed creation of a South-East Asia Network of transboundary collaborative surveillance, which is expected to be discussed with member countries later this year.

To support countries operationalide the concept of multisource surveillance, WHO South-East Asia has developed a regional manual "Informing Public Health Decision-Making with Multisource Collaborative Surveillance: A Step-by-Step Approach." Using the manual, Indonesia and Nepal have begun implementation of multisource collaborative surveillance method..

MSCS approach is critical as gathering and synthesising information from different sources is not always easy. The systems and data are owned by different surveillance stakeholders within and beyond the health sector, and mechanisms and procedures are not always in place to timely and effectively share and synthesise data and information from various sources, she said.

"Through our experience of responding to pandemics and emergencies, we have learnt that decision making to manage health emergencies should be informed by a synthesis of multiple sources of information," she said.

"This approach requires strengthening surveillance systems and capacities, and of collaboration among diverse stakeholders from multiple sectors. The future of health security in our region depends on sustainable investments in surveillance and laboratory capacities, timely data-sharing, and cross-sectoral partnerships," the Regional Director said.

At the meet, the 11 member countries, which includes India, decided to further enhance multi-source surveillance to improve public health intelligence and evidence for decision-making during complex health emergencies that are marked by uncertainties and multiple vulnerabilities.

Emphasising that strong laboratory systems are the backbone of effective surveillance, Wazed called for enhancing investment in sustainable diagnostic capacities.

Officials from member countries discussed priority actions to enhance collaboration among in-country surveillance stakeholders across sectors, and improve international information sharing and cross-border collaboration in the context of amended International Health Regulations, (2005).

'Early warning system'

Participant member discussed opportunities to adopt innovation and enablers to strengthen early warning surveillance systems and public health intelligence as part of multi-source collaborative surveillance. Multi-sectoral decision-making during pandemics, epidemics & climate change driven health emergencies like vector-borne and waterborne diseases and health threats due to disasters were also discussed.

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Saima Wazed, Regional Director, WHO South-East Asia Region

'WHAT'S IN THE NAME'

In a bid to 'eliminate' caste-based discrimination, police personnel in Maharashtra's Beed will no longer display their surnames on their name plates, officials said, adding, the SP's office has distributed name plates, for display on office tables, which do not mention of surnames.

1 STRANGLED TO DEATH FOR REFUSING HOLI COLOURS IN DAUSA

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	37	25	Mumbai	36	26
Bhopal	34	22	Panaji	34	27
Jaipur	33	21	Patna	33	22
Amritsar	40	23	Lucknow	33	19
Chennai	25	14	Port Blair	32	27
Kolkata	37	26	Imphal	27	16
Srinagar	08	02	Chandigarh	30	17

HOLI: DGP issues 20-point directive to police to fortify sensitive zones ● Cleric advice: Smile if colour applied by mistake

189 mosques come under tight security cover in UP...

Hyper-sensitive

In the "hyper-sensitive" Sambhal, where Shahi Jama Masjid has been involved in litigation over the court-ordered survey mosques were already covered with tarpaulin sheets

'Laat Sahab Juloos'

In Shahjahanpur, 67 mosques were covered before the traditional 'Laat Sahab Juloos' on Holi. Shahjahanpur is the only district with a tradition of Playing' Joota Maar Holi' (playing Holi using shoes/ slippers).

NAMITA BAJPAI @Lucknow

WITH Holi falling on a Friday during the holy month of Ramzan, Uttar Pradesh was draped in a security blanket even as prominent Muslim clerics postponed Friday prayers until after 2 pm and covered 189 mosques in at least four districts with tarpaulin ahead of the festival of colours.

While Muslim clerics changed the Friday prayer time in 18 districts tomorrow, around 189 mosques in Bareilly, Sambhal, Shahjahanpur and Aligarh districts in central-western UP were covered with tarpaulin to save them from the splash of colours.

Calling for a peaceful Friday, UP DGP Prashant issued a 20-point directive to the police to fortify sensitive zones with adequate deployment of police and paramilitary forces.

In the "hyper-sensitive" Sambhal district, where Shahi Jama Masjid has been involved in litigation for the past few months over the court-ordered survey, several mosques and the Jama Masjid were already covered with tarpaulin sheets on Wednesday.

In Sambhal, the Friday Namaz will be held at 2.30 pm, which has been revised due to Holi celebrations. Sambhal Shahi Jama Masjid management committee chief Zafar Ali urged members of both communities to celebrate Holi and offer Friday prayers in a harmonious atmosphere. Ali welcomed the administration's decision to cover mosques with tarpaulin, describing it as a positive step.

Maximum mosques – 109-- were covered with tarpaulin in Bareilly, where a Ram Barat was taken out on Holi eve under strict political vigil.

In Shahjahanpur, 67 mosques were covered before the traditional 'Laat Sahab Juloos' on Holi. Shahjahanpur is the only district with a tradition of Playing' Joota Maar Holi' (playing Holi using shoes/slippers). A person is made to sit on a buffalo cart as the "Laat Saheb" and is made to take the rounds of the city with people throwing colours, shoes and slippers at him.

Ten mosques in Sambhal and three in Aligarh were also covered, and the situation is being monitored through drone-equipped vigilance.

... in MP, youths asked to come home after prayers

Offer namaaz in the mosques, but avoid any disharmony or disturbance to preserve communal peace and harmony in Ratlam city

Mohd Shabir Hasan, heads a mosque of Ratlam district

Rang Panchami

Not just Friday, which will see special namaz and Holi coinciding, but the period till Rang Panchami is a major security challenge for the police apparatus, particularly in the districts of Indore and Ujjain divisions.

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

WITH Friday's namaz and Holi falling on the same day, Muslim religious leaders asked the community's youngsters to directly go home instead of roaming after offering prayers.

A meeting of the peace committee took place in the western MP's Ratlam city on Thursday, where all those present assured peaceful Friday prayers and Holi celebrations.

"It has been unanimously decided by our religious leaders to tell the community's youngsters, particularly those aged between 15 and 18 years, not to roam after offering the Taraweeh (special prayers performed during Ramadan), but straight away go home," said Mohd Shabir Hasan who heads a mosque of Ratlam district.

Ratlam's Shahar Qazi Maulvi Sayyed Quazi Ahmad Ali issued a written appeal to the Muslims of the city -- to smile and not act angrily if a Hindu resident pours colour by mistake. "Offer namaaz in the mosques, but avoid any disharmony or disturbance to preserve communal peace and harmony in Ratlam city," he said. The Shahar Qazi had in October 2024 issued an appeal, asking Muslim youngsters to avoid going to Garba pandals in Ratlam.

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The Sunday late night communal violence, triggered by disturbance during a victory procession after India's Champions Trophy win in Mhow town, has further brought police on their toes. Fourteen people have so far been arrested in the matter, while dozens of people have been named in the 9 FIRs lodged in connection with it.

The National Security Act has been invoked against three men, all from the minority community, for being an active part of the violence. While heavy police force has been deployed across sensitive towns and areas of western and southwestern MP, security personnel have also held flag marches in communally sensitive districts, including Khargone and Khandwa.

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Has education in Bengal hit rock bottom?

A political slugfest ensued after a purported video of a youth TMC leader's birthday celebration at a govt school in South 24 Parganas, that too on the eve of the higher secondary examinations, emerged on social media. Opposition BJP was quick to question the role of the admistration. 'Education in Bengal has hit rock bottom,' state BJP president Sukanta Majumder fired: "Where is the administration? Silent. Blind. Complicit." While the BJP alleged Bengal schools were turning into TMC party offices, the ruling party has assured a probe into the purpoted incident and strict action against those involved.

CPM-TMC spar over JU violence gets graphic

After Jadavpur University (JU) came to the political limelight following clashes between students and authorities, young CPI(M) leader Srijan Bhattacharya alleged that education minister Bratya Basu's car had mowed down SFI's Indranuj, who was badly injured. He even presented purported video evidence of the incident. However, TMC's Debangshu Bhattacharya readily rejected the allegations, claiming the videos were manipulated; instead he presented the "entire video of the incident" where Basu's car is purportedly seen being vandalised by members of SFI.

Mamata sanctions state security to ex-Union min

Days after MHA withdrew central security cover of former Union MoS John Barla, he was accorded state security by the Mamata Banerjee government. A week ago, the Union home ministry withdrew the security cover provided to 32 BJP leaders in West Bengal. According to sources, the MHA review committee issued the list on Wednesday which included names of some of those BJP leaders who lost in last year's Lok Sabha elections. Former Union minister John Barla, former MP Dashrath Tirkey, BJP leader Shankudeb Panda and former IPS officer Debashis Dhar are among the 32 people in the list whose security has been withdrawn.

Bihar on high alert after spread of bird flu, stops eggs in mid-day meal

RAMASHANKAR @Patna

AMID the spread of bird flu in Bihar, the state government has issued a directive asking officials of the education department to halt the supply of eggs for meals being served under the Mid-Day Meal (MDM) Scheme to students enrolled in government schools.

Sahila, director of primary education and MDM, stated, "An alert was issued by the Union Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying to the Bihar government over a rise in the incidents of bird flu. We have asked the officials concerned to stop the supply of eggs for mid-day meals being served to students with immediate effect."

Sahila added that district education and programme officers have been asked to ensure strict compliance with the order. They have been directed to supply seasonal fruits like apples and bananas instead of eggs. The supply of eggs will be reinstated once the situation turns normal, the MDM director told this reporter over the phone on Thursday. The government has also stressed the need for an awareness campaign to check the spread of bird flu. A consumption of eggs may prove fatal, a senior health department official warned. As per the rules, bananas and apples are served in mid-day meals to vegetarian students from Classes I to VIII. The rest are served eggs.

The bird flu was first detected in a poultry farm at the Indian Council of Agricultural Research Research Complex for Eastern Region in Patna on February 27. The samples, which were sent to the National Institute of High Security Animal Diseases in Bhopal, tested positive. The flu has so far been detected in Patna, Bhagalpur and Nawada districts.

"The proposal to set up a testing lab has been pending with the Union government for more than four years. The lack of a testing lab facility has forced us to send the sample either to Bhopal or Kolkata," rued a state animal husbandry and fisheries department official. Notably, the department had sanctioned ₹14.92 crore in the financial year 2023-24 for setting up such a testing lab in the state.

J&K

Man, who went missing a month ago, found dead

FAYAZ WANI @Srinagar

ONE of the three tribal youth, who went missing under mysterious circumstances nearly a month ago from south Kashmir's Qazigund area, has been found dead. His body was recovered from a nallah on Thursday. The other two who were accompanying him to a marriage function are still missing. There is also no trace of two tribal minor boys who went missing in J&K's border district of Kathua since February 27.

A police official said a body was recovered from Veshow Nallah in Mah area of south Kashmir's Kulgam district today.

The deceased has been identified as Riyaz Ahmad Bajad, 25, of Chandian Pajan, Devsar in Kulgam district. Riyaz alongwith two other youth Showket Ahmed Bajard and Mukhtar Ahmed Awan had gone missing since February 13.

The trio had left their home to attend a marriage function in a nearby village. Since then there was no trace of their whereabouts and today Riyaz's body was recovered. The postmortem of the body was conducted at Government Medical College (GMC) Anantnag.

Infra boom under Modi much more than previous govts: Shah

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

UNION Home Minister Amit Shah said on Thursday that infrastructure has surged under Prime Minister Narendra Modi, with the country having the world's second-largest road network, third-largest metro rail system, and fourth-largest railway network.

Inaugurating ₹146-crore worth development projects in Ahmedabad, Shah said Modi's leadership has driven more progress in a decade than under the previous 70 years combined. "Four-lane highways have expanded two and a half times, with 36.5 km built daily. In the last 10 years, the Modi government has expanded the national highway network by 60%," the minister Amit Shah said while addressing the inauguration programme virtually.

"Compared to the 70 years of previous governments, more development has happened under Prime Minister Modi's leadership," he said, adding that Gujarat and the country are making "remarkable" strides. "Gujarat is home to the world's largest green energy park in Kutch, Asia's largest green city in Dholera, and India's second-longest highway, the Surat-Chennai Expressway," Shah said.

Home Minister Amit Shah virtually attends the inauguration and foundation stone laying ceremony of various infrastructure projects in Gandhinagar | PTI

Highlighting key infrastructure milestones, he said, "To position India as a global financial hub, GIFT City has been established in Ahmedabad. The Ahmedabad-Mumbai bullet train is underway, and a rapid rail service now connects Bhuj and Ahmedabad."

Emphasising India's growing transport network, Shah said: "Today, we have the world's second-largest road network, third-largest metro rail system, and fourth-largest rail network. Additionally, 136 Vande Bharat trains are running, and 97% of the broad-gauge network is electrified."

Speaking on boost to health care, he said, "The Union government is building a state-of-the-art 500-bed hospital in Sanand, which will remain open 24/7 for residents of Sanand and Bavla talukas. Several trust-run hospitals are also coming up in the area, along with a 300-bed government hospital in Kalol. Once completed, these hospitals will ensure that every citizen has access to world-class health care."

Several parts of Ahmedabad district are part of the Gandhinagar Lok Sabha constituency represented by Shah. The home minister announced a major infrastructure boost with the foundation stone laid for two key projects — a ₹36.3 crore four-lane bridge over the Narmada Canal on NH-147 and a ₹45 crore flyover on Sarkhej-Gandhinagar (SG) Highway at Chharodi, connecting Ahmedabad with the state capital.

Monkey menace: J&K farmers told to use alternative fruit crops, solar fencing

FAYAZ WANI @Srinagar

MONKEYS have been wreaking havoc on fruit orchards and damaging crops in Jammu and Kashmir, causing heavy losses to the growers. In order to rein in the growing monkey menace, the government is exploring measures such as the use of solar fencing and repellers to deter attacks and a shift to alternative fruit crops.

The minister in charge of forest, ecology and environment acknowledged the damage being wrought by monkeys on crops and fruit orchards in J&K while addressing a question raised by BJP MLA Balwant Singh Mankotia in the Assembly. The threat posed by simians is more prevalent in the Jammu region, which comprises 10 districts. The monkeys cause substantial damage to maize, wheat, rice, mango, guava, ber, grapes, citrus fruits, litchi, sandy pear, peach, plum, apricot and other fruit crops. The losses incurred by farmers run into crores.

The minister suggested that farmers in areas affected by the menace grow fruit crops that monkeys usually do not harm, such as the dragon fruit. Besides, experts are suggesting that farmers start growing turmeric, ginger, okra, marigold and other medicinal plants.

The government has also advised the tillers to use solar fencing. "The solar power fence gives a sharp, short but non-lethal shock to the intruder and creates psychological fear. The alarm incorporated in the system gets activated and alerts the inmates of the protected area," an expert said.

The minister said the government is providing 50% assistance — of up to ₹1 lakh per hectare — to the farmers to set up solar fencing under the JKCIP scheme. The government is also batting for the use of monkey scare guns to ward off simian attacks.

Dwelling on the use of monkey scare guns, an expert explained, "The cannon fires with a loud sound due to the combustion of gas. Through the sound produced by the use of calcium carbide (available in welding shops), two to three acres are covered. It is easy and safe to use, and the device is harmless for humans and monkeys. But it scares away monkeys."

The minister stressed that efforts are on to dissuade people from feeding monkeys.

Asked whether the government intends to take steps to check the growing population of monkeys, the minister said, "Following an amendment to the Wildlife Protection Act 1972 (as amended in 2022), the monkey (rhesus macaque) has been removed from the list of protected wild animals."

NORTHEAST

Assam, Meghalaya fight it out on Byrnihat pollution

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Guwahati

MEGHALAYA has virtually denied contributing to air pollution in Byrnihat, an industrial town on its border with Assam.

Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma suggested that Assam, not Meghalaya, is responsible for the very poor air quality index (AQI) in Byrnihat, named as the world's most polluted town in the World Air Quality Report 2024 released by IQAir, a Swiss air quality technology company.

Sangma told the Meghalaya Assembly that media reports on the very poor AQI in Byrnihat were based on the readings of Assam's air quality monitoring stations. "The Assam stations took the readings in January. During the same period, our stations recorded satisfactory and moderate AQI. The very poor AQI is from the Assam stations," he said.

"Our readings are different and I would like to stick to those. We would like to make the air quality the best possible for our citizens," he added. There is a perception in Meghalaya that the state is earning a bad name over air pollution in Byrnihat due to Assam.

Sangma said Assam Pollution Control Board was taking measures to improve the environmental quality after preparing an action plan. Byrnihat has two sides, falling in Assam's Kamrup (Metro) and Meghalaya's Ri-Bhoi districts.

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Roadmap to restore peace in Manipur implemented

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Guwahati

THE Centre is reportedly implementing a roadmap to restore peace in Manipur. Quoting AK Mishra, the Adviser to the Ministry of Home Affairs (Northeast), Manipur's Federation of Civil Society (FOCS) claimed the Centre is implementing the first phase of the roadmap to peace. A delegation of the FOCS — which is made up of 20 Imphal valley-based civil society organisations — met Mishra on Wednesday.

FOCS spokesperson Ngangbam Chamcham told the media that during the course of their discussion, Mishra apprised them that the first phase of the roadmap entailed the surrender of weapons, reopening of roads and curbing the activities of armed groups.

Responding to Manipur Governor Ajay Kumar Bhalla's call, many people from the Imphal valley and the hill districts have surrendered a large number of weapons and ammunition in recent days. However, an attempt to restore "free movement" on all roads was met with violent protests by the Kuki-Zo tribals. One person was killed while over 40 others were injured.

At a high-level Manipur security review meeting held in New Delhi on March 1, Union Home Minister Amit Shah had issued directions to restore the free movement and take action against anyone attempting to create obstructions.

Surrender of weapons

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Canara Bank Yadavanahalli Branch

CORRIGENDUM

Reference to the Gold Auction sale notice dated 11.03.2025 published in The New Indian Express & Kannada Prabha, read the auction date as **27.03.2025 instead of** 24.03.2025 **For details Contact :** Ph- 080-29919071, 9482921394

Date : **13.03.2025** Sd/- Manager

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that, my client **Sri. RADHAKRISHNAN .V**, S/o Vishwanathareddy had lost the below Original Documents, 1). Original Sale Deed Dated **16/01/2002**, Registered as Document No. **BNG(U)-YLNK-6320/2002-03**, in Book-I, Stored in CD No.YNK23, In the office Of the Sub-registrar Yelahanka, Bangalore. Above mentioned Documents In respect of property bearing **Plot No.280**, Katha No.1033/512, Present Katha No.290/290, Situated at SECOTR II of Bagalur Village, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Within the Administrative jurisdiction of Bagalur Grama Panchayath Bangalore District, & the Original Document were Lost between 02-02-2025 to 03-02-2025 near Udayanagar, The same reported before the jurisdictional Police vide Complaint/ Lost Report No. **1464983/2025**, Dated 06/02/2025. If anybody found this document please contact this No.8050543003 or inform Crime Branch Bangalore City Police.

SRIKANTH B.G, Advocate
Office at. #152, 1st Cross, Swathantranagar, Virgonagar Post, Bangalore-560049.

SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY
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Details of the Tender Notices of S.C Railway can be seen on our website : www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

Open Tender No. B-E29-TRD-TNDR- 23-2024-25 dt.11.03.2025

Tenders are invited in IREPS by the undersigned for the following works.

Name of Work:- Vijayawada Division - Raising of muffs for traction masts/ structures in connection with Track renewal works on GDR-BZA and BZA-DVD sections of BZA division. **Approx. Value (Rs.):**Rs. 62,15,300.00 **Completion period:**12 Months **Bid Security (EMD) (Rs.):** Rs.1,24,300/- **Date of closing:** 04.04.2025 at 15.00 Hrs. S.No. 1, Cost of Tender form (Rs.): Nil

Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer/ A0325 Trd/Vijayawada

PUBI/0235/25

For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at https://www.ireps.gov.in or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

IN THE COURT OF THE I ADDITIONAL PRINCIPAL JUDGE FAMILY COURT, AT BENGALURU

M.C. No. 4589/2024

BETWEEN: Susipama .M ...Petitioner
AND: Sri. Sunil Kumar .V ...Respondent

NOTICE TO THE RESPONDENT

To: **Sunil Kumar .V**, S/o Late. Veerabhadrachari, Aged about 35 years, Residing at No.64, 1st Cross, Muniyappa Layout, Kavalbyrasandra, Bengaluru-560 032 **And also :** R/at 143/3, 1st Floor, Dr. A.M.C. Road, Next to P & T Quarters, 4th Cross, Opp. Above Manoj Spices Centre, Kaval Byrasandra, R.T. Nagar Post, Bangalore - 560 032.

Whereas, the above named petitioner has filed the above petition Under Section 13(1) (i-a) & (i-b) of Hindu Marriage Act for dissolution of Marriage against the Respondent and such other relief. You are hereby summoned to appear in person or through a pleader duly instructed before I Additional Principal Judge Family Court, Bengaluru.

Take notice that in default of your appearance, **on the 28th day of June 2025 at 11.00 A.M.** the petition will be heard and determined in your absence, placing you as ex-parte.

Issued under my hand and seal of this Court on this 10th day of March 2025.

By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, Family Court, Bengaluru.
Petitioner : **Party in Person**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the general public that my client has negotiated to purchase the Schedule property, from its lawful owner **SRI. R.Jayaprakash. S/o. Gangadhara Reddy**, aged about 44 years, R/at No.184, Ground Floor, 2nd B-Cross, Near Riya Home Needs, Bengaluru University, N.G.E.F Layout, Mallathalli, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru-560 056. Any person /institutions claiming to have any right, title, charge, lien or minor claims whatsoever over the schedule property may lodge his/her/their/its claim to the undersigned with documentary proof within **Seven (7) days** of this publication failing which it will be presumed that there are no objections or claims or disputes in respect of the schedule property and my client shall proceed to get the schedule property conveyed in their favour. No claims shall be entertained thereafter.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of Residential Southern portion of the **Site bearing No.7**, BBMP Katha No.2840, formed in Converted Sy No.11/4; vide conversion order No.ALN(NY)SR-59/2011-12, dated 08.09.2011, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner Bengaluru, Situated at **Brundavana Layout, Karivobanahalli Village, Yashawanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk**, BBMP ward No.40, Bengaluru, measuring an extent East to West 40 feets and North to South 20 feets, in totally measuring **800 Sq.ft's** with constructed house in the Ground, First and Second Floor, and bounded on:

East by : Road, West by : Site No.10, North by : Remaining portion of Site No.7 (Northern Portion 10X40), South by : Site No.8.

Lokesh K.M, Advocates
No. 3/1 (Old No.359), 1st Floor, 14th Cross, 4th Main, Sadashivanagar, Bangalore -560080. Ph :080 23618018

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to General Public that our clients (1) Ravi Achar S/o Govind Achar, (2) Govindachary S/o Dasachary (3) K. Rukmini W/o Govindachar, have lost their BDA KHATA Certificate bearing No. 123/13-14 for the property Site No. 123, Survey Nos. 20/1, 20/2, and 20/3, situated at Chikkabellandur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, if any person is in possession of the above-mentioned documents is requested to hand over the same to the under mentioned address within 7 days failing which it will be presumed that the said document has been irretrievably lost and not traceable. Any activities subsequent to this publication and execution of Absolute Sale deed shall be at your own risk.

SUPREME LAW ASSOCIATES, M.N. Leelaraju
Contact No: 9986755031, 7022159228

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that My client **Mr. M NAGARAJA**, S/o Narayanappa, Residing at No.8, 3rd Main, 1st Block, Goragunte Palya, Bangalore North, Yeshwanthapura, Bangalore - 560022, and Property Address: Municipal No: 8, PID No. 11-24-8, 3rd Main, 1st Block, Goragunte Palya, Bangalore North, Yeshwanthpura, Bangalore - 560022, Now comes under BBMP Limits, Measuring East to West : 35 Feet & North to South : 26 Feet, Totally Measuring : 927 Square Feet, hereby informs that, the Original Registered Sale Deed dated 28.02.2002 Registered in the office of Rajajinagar, Bangalore & Document No : 5989/2001-02 which have been lost/misplaced RMC Yeshwantpur Xerox Shop time on 11/03/2025 Timings: 3.31 pm to 3.45 pm, My client has also lodged a police complaint No. 1517057/2025 Dated 12/03/2025, RMC Yeshwanthapura, Bangalore. Police Station Any person/s in possession of the aforesaid document may return the same to me or anyone having any sort of claim over the said property may lodge their objections in writing within 7 days from this day to the undersigned.

Manjunath R Kesari, Advocate,
No. 604, Near Swimming Pool, 2nd Cross, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bangalore – 560086. 9900265966

S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER

Tender Notice No. : DRMENGGRNC-15-2025, Dated 12.03.2025. Tender is invited by Divisional Railway Manager (Engg), S.E.Railway, Ranchi for and on behalf of The President of India for the following work: **Name of work :** TSR(P)-44.303 Tkm in Muri - Hatia (DN) section, TSR(P)-5.025 Tkm in Hatia - Orga (SL) section, CTR(P)-4.552 Tkm in Muri - Hatia (DN) section and TRR(P) -1.677 Tr. Km in Muri-Barkakana section in Ranchi Division. **Tender Value:** ₹ 8,91,41,497.71. **EMD value:** ₹ 5,95,700/-. **Tender Closing date & time:** 07.04.2025 at 15.00 hrs. Tenderers can visit the website **www.ireps. gov.in** for online tendering. PIN Code-834003. **(PR-1235)**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that our clients **Mr. Jagadish** S/o. Mr. Ganesh Ram and Mr. Sesha Ram S/o Mr. Lalaram are the absolute owners of the Property bearing Khaneshumari House List Nos. 1521/746/A, 1521/746/B and 1521/746/C, Janjar No. 1004, as per E-Khatha property No. 150200100600301155 & 150200100600301156, situated at Iggaluru Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District,; Measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet, in all measuring 1200 Sq. fts; and bounded on; East by: Anekal Main Road, West by: Property of Hanumantha Bhovi, North by: Road and South by: Property of Papanna. They have partitioned the said property through Partition Deed dated 08/07/2015, they have lost the following Documents pertaining to the said Property. 1) Original Partition Deed dated 08/11/2006, Doc No. ANK-1-25827/2006-07, C.D. No. ANKD173, Book-1, SRO Anekal, (2) Original Sale Deed dated 13/12/2006, Doc No. ANK-1-29535/2006-07, C.D. No. ANKD183, Book-1, SRO Anekal, (3) Original Sale Deed dated 08/09/2008, Doc No. ABL-1-02221/2008-09, C.D. No. ABLD26, Book-1, SRO Attibele, (4) Original Sale Deed dated 08/09/2008, Document No. ABL-1-02222/2008-09, C.D. No. ABLD26, Book-1, SRO Attibele.

In the event any person finds or in possession of the above said original document, kindly handover the same to the below mentioned address **within 7 days** of the publication of this notice. The general public are informed not to act on the basis of the said original document.

SOMASHEKHARA A.N. Advocate
No. 105, 3rd Floor, MR Mansion, 12th 'D' Main Road, Muthyalanagar, Bengaluru - 560 054.

PUBLIC NOTICE

We are investigating the title of the owners as detailed in the table below **("Owners")** with respect to the lands situated at **Kuguru Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District**, totally admeasuring **6 Acres 21 Guntas**, which is more fully described in the schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as the **"Schedule Property"**.

Any person having any right, title, claim or interest in the Schedule Property must notify the undersigned with documentary proof thereof within **fifteen (15) days** of this publication. In case no such notice is received by us within **fifteen (15) days** from the date of publication of this notice, it shall be presumed that the title of the Owners with respect to the Schedule Property is clear, marketable and free from encumbrance/s of any kind whatsoever and no person has any right, title or interest of any nature whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Property or any part thereof. Claims or alleged interest, if any, which are not received within **fifteen (15) days** from the date of publication of this notice shall be deemed to have been waived and disregarded for all intents and purposes and shall not be binding on our client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of below mentioned lands situated at **Kuguru Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District**, totally admeasuring **6 Acres 21 Guntas** and bounded on:

Sl. No.	Sy. No.	Extent		Boundaries : East By: E; West By: W; North By: N; South By: S	Details of the Owners
		Acres	Guntas		
1.	64	00	22	E : Government existing Road. W : Sy.No.65/2 & Sy.No.65/1. N : Sy.No.17: and S : Sy.No.63 of Mr. M. Shrinivas;	Mrs. Seethamma, wife of late K.V. Sampangiramaiah
2.	65/1	1	18	E : Sy.No.64 of Mrs. Seethamma. W : Sy.No.188 SarkariJaminu. N : Sy.No.66 of Mr. L. Venkataswamy & others: and S : Sy.No.63 of Mr. M. Shrinivas;	Mr. N. Srinivasa, son of late Nanjappa
3.	65/2	1	10	E : Sy.No.64 of Mrs. Seethamma. W : Sy.No.66/1,2 of Mr. L. Venkataswamy & others. N : Sy.No.17 and Sy.No.67: and S : Sy.No.63 of Mr. M. Shrinivas;	Mrs. Seethamma, Mr. Manak Chand and Mr. Venkataswamy
4.	66/1	1	25.08	E : Sy.No.66/2 belongs to Mr. Narayanappa. W : Sy.No.69. N : Mr. Gopal and Mr. Krishnareddy's land: and S : Mr. Nanjappa's land;	Mr. L. Venkataswamy
5.	66/2	1	25.08	E : Private Property. W : Sy.No.66/1 of Venkataswamy's portion. N : Mr. Chowdappa and Mr. Gopal's land: and S : Mr. Nanjappa's land;	Mr. L. Venkataswamy

Sd/-
LAW PARK ASSOCIATES, Advocate,
6th Sector, HSR Layout, Bangalore-560 102.
helpdesk@lawpark.in | Ph : +91 80 41715959, +91 98456 65379

Bengaluru Dated : 14/03/2025

Indian Overseas Bank

Residency Road Branch, Janardhan Towers
Bengaluru- 560025, Karnataka. Email ID: iob0268@iob.in

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E- AUCTION FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sale of immovable properties mortgaged to Bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002(No.54 of 2002)

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of **Indian Overseas Bank** has takenpossession of the following properties pursuant to the notice issued under Section13(2) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 in the following loan account with right to sell the same on, **AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and AS IS WHAT IS BASIS** for realization of Bank's dues plus interest & costs as detailed hereunder and whereas consequent upon failure to repay the dues, the undersigned in exercise of power conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act proposes to realize the Bank's dues by sale of the said properties. The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the **Web Portal https://ebkray.in**

Name & address of the Borrowers: 1.Mrs.Rashmei Sharma, W/o Ajay Kumar Sharma, **2.Mr.Aayoush Sharma** S/o Ajay Kumar Sharma: Both are at" A- 502 ASPEN Tower, Near Columbia Asia Hospital, Godrej Woodsman Estate, Hebbal Bellary Road, Bangalore North-560024,

Date of NPA: 28.09.2024 . Date of Demand notice:30.09.2024

Dues claimed in Demand Notice:Rs. 62,75,276.00 (Rupees Sixty Two Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy Six Only)as on 30.09.2024with further interest & costs.

Date of possession notice:04.12.2024

Dues claimed in Possession Notice: Rs.63,81,293/-(Rupees Sixty Three Lakhs Eighty One Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety Three Only)as on03.12.2024with furtherinterest & costs less repayments,if any, made after issuance of demand notice.

Outstanding dues as on 09.03.2025 is Rs.65,45,849/- (Rupees Sixty Five Lakhs Forty Five Lakhs and Eight Hundred and Forty Nine Only) + Un debited interest with furtherinterest & costs till the date of repayment in full..

*Local Self Government(Property Tax, Water sewerage, Electricity Bills etc.): Not known

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

PROPERTY No.1:SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing site No: 21, old Katha No.582/0/21, BBMP New Katha No: 641/1/582/0/31/33/21, coming under the purview of BBMP ward No.8 measuring East to West 70 feet & North to South 40 feet. Situated at Kodigehalli Village , YelahankaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, bounded on :East by : Site No-18,West by : Road,North by : Site No-22,South by : Site No-20

SCEDULE "B" PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property bearing site No.22, Old Khatha No.582/0/22 New Khatha No.641/1/582/0/31/33/21, coming under the purview of BBMP ward No.8 measuring East to West 70 feet and North to south 40 feet situated at : Kodigehalli Village, YelahankaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, bounded on : East by : Site No-17,West by : Road,North by : Site No-23,South by : Site No-21

SCEDULE "C" PROPERTY (Description of the Apartment):

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Flat No: GF-01, 2BHK on the GroundFloor in the Apartment Building known as "Shri Sai ShanthiNilaya" car parking along with 230 Sq.ft of undivided share constructed in Site No's. 21 & 22 measuring in total 5600 Sq.ft vide Amalgamation Khatha No.641/1/582/0/31/33/21, Schedule A & B property hereto with a Super built up area of 1342 Sq.ft along with 230 Sq.ft undivided share, right title & interest in the land comprised in the schedule 'A' property and one covered car parking in the apartment building known as "Shri Sai ShanthiNilaya " at Kodigehalli Village , Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk 560 092 which is standing in the name of **Mrs.Rashmei Sharma and Mr.Aayoush Sharma. Boundary of the flat as follows:**East by : Private Property,West by :Flat No. GF-03,North by: Private Property (open to sky),South by : Flat No.GF-02

The property inclusive of proportionate right to use in common area such as passage, Staircase, and other area of common use with concealed wiring together with specifications.

Reserve Price:Rs.67,16,500/- EMD:Rs.6,71,650/-

Bid Increase Amt: Rs. 50,000/- Auto extension time: 10 minutes

Date & Time of auction: 11.04.2025, 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM

Inspection Date& Time:during office hours from 10:00 AM till 05:00 PM, from 11.03.2025 to 10.04.2025.

Known Encumbrance if any: NIL *Bank's dues have priority over the statutory dues

For terms and conditions please visit: **https://www.iob.in/e-Auctions.aspx https:// www.publishtenders.gov.in https://ebkray.in/eauction-psb/bidder-registration(web portal of e-auction Service provider)**

Sd/-Authorised Officer
Date:10.03.2025, Place:Bengaluru INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK

Indian Overseas Bank

Residency Road Branch, Janardhan Towers
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Name & address of the Borrowers: 1 .Mr.SaiPrashanth .K, #1406, 5th Main 2nd Stage,D Block, VTC PO, Rajaji Nagar,Bangalore North, Karnataka-560010 **2Mr.SaiPrashanth .K,**No.55/363 PNRA 196,Vijaya Krishna, Rajasthan House, Kannimel Cherry, Maruthadi Post, Kollam-691003,Kerala

Date of NPA: 13.08.2024 . Date of Demand notice:14.08.2024

Dues claimed in Demand Notice:Rs.96,92,472.00 (RupeesNinety Six Lakhs NinetyTwo Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy Two Only)as on 14.08.2024 with further interest & costs.

Date of possession notice:04.12.2024

Dues claimed in Possession Notice: Rs.1,00,23,118.00 (Rupees Crore Twenty Three Thousand One Hundred and Eighteen Only)as on03.12.2024with furtherinterest & costs less repayments,if any, made after issuance of demand notice.

Outstanding dues as on 09.03.2025 is Rs.1,03,04,389.40 (Rupees One Crore Three Lakhs Four Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty Nine and Forty Paisa Only) + Un debited interest with furtherinterest & costs till the date of repayment in full.

*Local Self Government(Property Tax, Water sewerage, Electricity Bills etc.): Not known

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

PROPERTY NO.1: SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing No: 2, old Katha No.34/3 and 34/4, BBMP Katha No: 206/34/3/2/34/4, situated at Kodigehalli Village , YelahankaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently under the Administrative Jurisdiction of BBMP, Ward No.8, with allrights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface .**Measurement: :** East to West : 86+80/2 ft North to South : 101.5 ft, Totally measuring to : 8424.5Sq.ft. **Boundaries:** East by: 30 ft road,West by : Private layout 30 ft road,North by : Property No.1, South by : Property No.3

SECEDULE"B" PROPERTY (Description of the Apartment): All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Flat No: TF-305 2BHK on the Third floor constructed on the Schedule A property with a super built up area of 1112 Sq.ft along with 310 Sq.ft undivided share, right title & interest in the land comprised in the schedule 'A' property and one covered car parking in the apartment building known as " SaiBalaji Meadows" at Kodigehalli Village , YelahankaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk 560 092 which is standing in the name of **Mr.SaiPrashanth K. Boundary of the flat as follows :**East by : Flat No.301,West by : Open to Sky,North by : Open to Sky, South by : Flat No. 304

The property inclusive of proportionate right to use in common area such as passage, Staircase, and other area of common use with concealed wiring together with specifications.

PROPERTY NO.2: SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing No: 2, old Katha No.34/3 and 34/4, BBMP Katha No: 206/34/3/2/34/4, situated at Kodigehalli Village , YelahankaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently under the Administrative Jurisdiction of BBMP, Ward No.8, with allrights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface . **Measurement:** East to West : 86+80/2 ft , North to South : 101.5 ft, Totaly measuring to : 8424.5Sq.ft. **Boundaries:** East by: 30 ft road West by : Private layout 30 ft road,North by : Property No.1,South by : Property No.3

SCEDULE "B" PROPERTY (Description of the Apartment): All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Flat No: FF-405 2BHK on the Fourth floor constructed on the Schedule A property with a super built up area of 1112 Sq.ft along with 310 Sq.ft undivided share, right title & interest in the land comprised in the schedule 'A' property and one covered car parking in the apartment building known as " Sai Balaji Meadows" at Kodigehalli Village , YelahankaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk 560 092 which is standing in the name of **Mr.SaiPrashanth K. Boundary of the flat as follows:**East by : Flat No.401,West by : Open to Sky,North by : Open to Sky,South by : Flat No. 404

The property inclusive of proportionate right to use in common area such as passage, Staircase, and other area of common use with concealed wiring together with specifications.

S. No.	Security Details	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid Increase Amount
1	Duplex Apartment consists of Flat No.TF 305 & FF 405	Rs.1,43,92,500/-	Rs.14,39,250/-	Rs.50,000/-

Date & Time of auction: 11.04.2025, 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM

Bid increase amount: Rs. 50,000/- Auto extension time: 10 minutes

Inspection Date & Time:during office hours from 10:00 AM till 05:00 PM, from 11.03.2025 to 10.04.2025.

Known Encumbrance if any: NIL *Bank's dues have priority over the statutory dues

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Sd/-Authorised Officer
Date:10.03.2025, Place:Bengaluru INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK

Indian Overseas Bank

Residency Road Branch, Janardhan Towers
Bengaluru- 560025, Karnataka. Email ID: iob0268@iob.in

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E- AUCTION FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sale of immovable properties mortgaged to Bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002(No.54 of 2002)

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of **Indian Overseas Bank** has takenpossession of the following properties pursuant to the notice issued under Section13(2) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 in the following loan account with right to sell the same on, **AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and AS IS WHAT IS BASIS** for realization of Bank's dues plus interest & costs as detailed hereunder and whereas consequent upon failure to repay the dues, the undersigned in exercise of power conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act proposes to realize the Bank's dues by sale of the said properties. The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the **Web Portal https://ebkray.in**

Name & address of the Borrowers: 1.Mr. SHIVAKUMAR . V,No.42, K.V.Mahesh, IInd Floor, 1st Main Krishanpallya, Baiyapanhalli,Bangalore 560002

Date of NPA: 16.09.2024. Date of Demand notice:17.09.2024

Dues claimed in Demand Notice:Rs.44,64,952.00 (RupeesForty Four Lakhs Sixty Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Two Only)as on 16.09.2024with further interest & costs.

Date of possession notice:06.12.2024

Dues claimed in Possession Notice: Rs.45.59.380.26 (Rupees Fourty Five Lakhs Fifty Nine Thousand Three Hundred an Eighty and Twenty Six Paise Only)as on06.12.2024with furtherinterest & costs less repayments,if any, made after issuance of demand notice.

Outstanding dues as on09.03.2025 is Rs.46,76,342/- (Rupees Forty Six Lakhs Seventy Six Thousand Three Hundred and Forty Two Only) + Un debited interest with furtherinterest & costs till the date of repayment in full.

*Local Self Government(Property Tax, Water sewerage, Electricity Bills etc.): Not known

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing site No: 21, old Katha No.582/0/21, BBMP New Katha No: 641/1/582/0/31/33/21, coming under the purview of BBMP ward No.8 measuring East to West 70 feet & North to South 40 feet. Situated at Kodigehalli Village , YelahankaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore,**Boundaries:** East by : Site No-18,West by : Road,North by : Site No-22,South by : Site No-20

SCEDULE "B" PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property bearing site No.22, Old Khatha No.582/0/22 New Khatha No.641/1/582/0/31/33/21, coming under the purview of BBMP ward No.8 measuring East to West 70 feet and North to south 40 feet situated at : Kodigehalli Village, YelahankaHobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore. **Boundaries:**East by : Site No-17,West by : Road,North by : Site No-23,South by : Site No-21.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY: Equitable Mortgage followed by Registered memorandum of Residential Flat No.F101-3 BHK flat at First Floor, with the super built up area of 1342 Sq.ft in the Apartment known as " Shri Sai ShanthiNilaya" car parking along with 230 Sq.ft of Undivided Share constructed on Site No.21 & 22, vide Amalgamation Khatha No.641/1/582/0/31/33/21 situated at Kodigehalli Village, YelahankaHobali, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore 560094.East by : Private Property (open to sky),West by : Flat No.F103,North by : Private property (open to sky),South by : Flat No.F102

Reserve Price:Rs.67,16,500/- EMD:Rs.6,71,650/-

Date & Time of auction: 11.04.2025, 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM

Bid increase amount: Rs. 50,000/- Auto extension time: 10 minutes

Inspection Date & Time:during office hours from 10:00 AM till 05:00 PM, from 11.03.2025 to 10.04.2025.

Known Encumbrance if any: NIL *Bank's dues have priority over the statutory dues

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Sd/-Authorised Officer
Date:10.03.2025, Place:Bengaluru INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK

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(Rule 8(1) **POSSESSION NOTICE** (for immovable property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorised officer of the **Sree Thyagaraja Cooperative Bank Limited,** H.O.No.5, 9th Cross, Narasimharaja Colony, Bangalore-560 019 under the Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord.3 of 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers / legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrowers / legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers / legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule. The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Sree Thyagaraja Co-operative Bank Limited, Head Office No.5, 9th Cross, Narasimharaja Colony, Bangalore – 560 019.

Sl. No.	Name of the Loanee	Description of the property	Loan Balance outstanding amount	Possession taken on
		Main Branch		
1.	**1) Sri. Mallesh M.R** S/o Sampangiramaiah **2) Jyothimani.V** W/o Mallesh M.R Both R/at, No. 166, Old No.4/B, 1ST A Cross Sarakki Main Road, J P N agar, 1st Phase, Bangalore - 560078.	All that piece and parcel of the residential Building No.274, 10th Block, BDA Further Extension of Anjanapura, Bangalore 560 083. measuring East to West 9.00 Mtrs, and North to South 12.00 Mtrs and bounded by : East: Site No 275, West:Site No 273, North: Drainage, South: Road.	**Rs.38,75,965 /- (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Five Only) as on 10/03/2025**	**11th day of March of the year 2025**

Date : 11.03.2025
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Sree Thyagaraja Cooperative Bank Limited

THE KARNATAKA STATE CO-OPERATIVE APEX BANK LTD.,

No.1, 'UTHUNGA', Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560018.
Phone: 080-26983700, 26983722, 22976600
E-mail: recoverycell@karnatakaapex.com

APEX

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8(1)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice Dated **18.12.2024** calling upon the Borrowers; **1) Smt. Pushpa. R., D/o. Ramaiah, 2) Sri Adarsh. K., S/o. Sri Krishnappa,** Admin, M/s. Sify Infinit Spaces Ltd., Cyber Park, Plot No. 76/77, Electronic City Phase-I, Bengaluru - 560100, Both are R/at: Hennagara Village and Post, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru - 560105 and **Guarantor: Sri Sandeep Kumar. D. S/o. Devaraj, C/o. Ramthimma Sheety. P.,** # 90, Ground Floor, KIADB Layout, Electronic City Phase-II, Bengaluru - 560100 to repay the amount mentioned in the said Notice being **Rs.9,99,910/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Ten Only) as on 15.10.2024** together with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest along with the cost and charges **within 60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and Guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, on this the **11th Day of March of the year 2025.**

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., Bommasandra Branch** for an amount of **Rs.9,99,910/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Ten Only) as on 15.10.2024** together with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest and costs and charges till the date of realization.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE SCHEDULE PROPERTY:

All that piece and parcel of immovable property Site No.112, Property No.181/372/112, formed in Sy.No. 27/5, situated at Yarandahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 25 Feet and North to South 48 Feet, in all measuring 1200 Square Feet, E-Khatha No.150200103200101619 and bounded on: **East by :** Site No.113, **West by :** Site No.11, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Private Property.

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice Dated **18.12.2024** calling upon the Borrowers; **1) Smt. Rathna W/o. Ramu. V., 2) Smt. Deepa. R., D/o. Ramu. V.,** Both are R/at: No.330, 3rd Main, 7th Cross, Srinivasa Nagar, Banashankari, Bengaluru - 560050 and **Guarantors: 3) Bhagyashree. S. D/o. Shankara Gowda,** No.170, Gyarej Camp, Near Governement School, Singamane BR Project, Shivamogga - 577115, **4) Naveen Raju .J. S/o. Janardhan,** No.54, PG D'Souza Nagar, Hoskerehalli, Near Ganesh Temple, Behind PES College, Bengaluru - 560085 to repay the amount mentioned in the said Notice being **Rs.38,75,364/- (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty Four Only) as on 10.12.2024** together with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest along with the cost and charges **within 60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and Guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, on this the **11th Day of March of the year 2025.**

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., Bommasandra Branch** for an amount of **Rs.38,75,364/- (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty Four Only) as on 10.12.2024** together with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest and costs and charges till the date of realization.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE SCHEDULE PROPERTY:

All that piece and parcel of property Site No.6, Khatha No.183, E-Khatha No. 150200103200101983, Property No.183/547/6 formed in converted Sy. No.26/10, Conversion order No. B.DIS.ALN.SR(A)15/1990-91, Dated 22.08.1991, situated in Yarandahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban Dist, measuring East to West 40 Feet and North to South 30 feet, in all measuring 1200 Square feet and bounded on: **East by :** 30 Feet Road, **West by :** Site No.568/27, **North by :** Site No.546/5, **South by :** Site No.548/7.

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice Dated **30.12.2024** calling upon the Borrowers; **Smt. Akka Mahadevi, W/o. Sri Sumedh S. Rao,** Operations Specialist-1, IQVIA RDS (India) Private Limited, Outer Ring Road, Kaadubeesanahalli, Bengaluru - 560103, **Sri Sumedh S. Rao, S/o. K. Sarvothama Rao,** Advisor-2, Technical Support, CONCENTRIX, Divyashree Towers, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru - 560076, Both are R/at: Flat No.004, Ground Floor, "Sumukha Vriddhi", Opp: Amoda Valmark, Doddakammanahalli, Bengaluru - 560083 and **Guarantor: Sri Manukrishnan. M.R., S/o. S. Radhakrishnan Nair,** No. 90/B, 3rd Floor, Flat No. 304, 4th Cross, 7th Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru - 560095 to repay the amount mentioned in the said Notice being **Rs.52,63,781/- (Rupees Fifty Two Lakh Sixty Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty One Only) as on 24.12.2024** together with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest along with the cost and charges **within 60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and Guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, on this the **11th Day of March of the year 2025.**

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., Jayanagar 4th 'T' Block Branch** for an amount of **Rs.52,63,781/- (Rupees Fifty Two Lakh Sixty Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty One Only) as on 24.12.2024** together with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest and costs and charges till the date of realization.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE SCHEDULE PROPERTY:

SCHEDULE - "A"

All that piece and parcel of the residential converted land bearing survey No. 130/1, measuring 0-25 Guntas, duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose vide office memorandum bearing No. ALN(SB)/SR/41/16-17 dated 25.07.2017 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, BBMP No.84/Sy.No.130/1, situated at Kammanahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and bounded on: **East by :** Land bearing Sy. No.130/2 and 130/3, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Land bearing Sy. No.131, **South by :** Land bearing Sy. No.130/2.

SCHEDULE - "B"
(Constructed on Schedule 'A' property)

All that piece and parcel of the Flat bearing No.004, Ground Floor, in the building known as "Sumukha Vriddhi" having super built-up area of 1162 Sq. feet, Carpet area 825.02 Sq. feet, Flat type 2 BHK with one covered Car Parking area in the basement, situated at Kammanahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk now coming under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore, with proportionate undivided share, right title and interest of 400.48 Sq.feet on Schedule 'A' property and bounded on: **East by :** Land bearing Sy. No.130/2 and 130/3, **West by :** Flat No.003, **North by :** Flat No.005, **South by :** Land bearing Sy. No.130/2

Date : 11-03-2025
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,

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Houston	17	6	LR	Singapore	30	25	LR
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Putin backs call for Ukraine ceasefire but...

... Has serious questions about the 30-day truce proposal; Trump says statement promising but is not complete

MOSCOW

RUSSIAN President Vladimir Putin said on Thursday he backed the idea of a truce with Ukraine, but said he had "serious questions" about how it would be implemented that he wanted to discuss with Donald Trump.

He was responding to a joint US-Ukrainian plan for a 30-day ceasefire in Ukraine that US special envoy Steve Witkoff is due to present to Russian officials later Thursday.

"We agree with proposals to cease hostilities, but on the basis that that cessation would lead to long-term peace and addresses the root causes of the crisis," Putin told a press conference in Moscow.

"But there are nuances," he said.

Reacting to Putin, US President Donald Trump said that Russian President had made "a very promising statement" on a possible Ukraine ceasefire, but added that "it wasn't complete."

In this video grab, Russian President Vladimir Putin speaks during a visit to military headquarters in the Kursk region of Russia | AP

"I'd love to meet with him or talk to him. But we have to get it (a ceasefire deal) over with fast."

Trump added that it would be "a very disappointing moment for the world" if Russia rejects the peace plan.

"A lot of the details of a final agreement have actually been discussed. Now we're going to see if Russia is there and, if not, it will be a very disappointing moment for the world," Trump said.

He said Russian soldiers were currently in the midst of an offensive aimed at driving Kyiv out the Kursk region.

"If we stop hostilities for 30 days, what does that mean? That everyone who is there will go out without a fight?... How will supervision (of the ceasefire) be organised? These are all serious questions.

"I think we need to talk to our American colleagues... Maybe have a phone call with President Trump and discuss this with him," he told reporters.

He said Russian troops were advancing in practically all areas of the frontline, and that Moscow would decide its "next steps" based on his forces' success in kicking Ukrainian troops out of Kursk.

Ukraine agreed to the plan during talks with US officials in Saudi Arabia on Tuesday, as US President Donald Trump pushes for a speedy end to the more than three-year conflict.

But even before meeting Witkoff, an aide to Russian President Vladimir Putin said the document only took Ukraine's position into account, and that Russia needed input as well.

"It will be necessary to work on it, think and take into account our position," Yuri Ushakov told Russian state TV, saying Putin would probably give his verdict on the deal later.

Russia has been grinding forward on the battlefield for over a year, and claimed on Thursday to have driven Ukrainian forces from the town of Sudzha in Russia's Kursk region. *AFP*

Canada asks G7 to back Ukraine against Russia

Charlevoix: Host Canada called Thursday on the Group of Seven powers to back Ukraine against Russia's "aggression" as a more conciliatory approach toward Moscow by Donald Trump's United States split the club of wealthy democracies. Canada, the current G7 president, is gathering its foreign ministers for three days of talks inside a rustic hotel in snow-dusted Charlevoix, on the banks of the St Lawrence River in Quebec. The G7 – Britain, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and the United States – has been rattled since the return of Trump

Firemen work at the site of an Israeli missile strike in Damascus on Thursday | AP

No one is expelling Palestinians from Gaza, says Trump

MOSCOW

ARAB countries welcomed an extremely brief remark from President Donald Trump indicating he has backed away from his plan to depopulate Gaza.

Trump responded "Nobody's expelling any Palestinians," to a reporter on Wednesday before asking her where she worked and implying it was a dumb question.

US allies Egypt and Jordan seized on those four words and released statements welcoming the remarks. Both had rejected Trump's earlier suggestion that they accept large numbers of Palestinian refugees.

Hamas issued a statement welcoming Trump's "apparent retreat from his proposed plan to displace our people from Gaza."

Last month, Trump proposed that Gaza's roughly 2 million Palestinians be resettled in other countries so the US could take ownership of Gaza and develop it as a beach destination for others. Human rights experts said it would likely violate international law.

Meanwhile, US special envoy Steve Witkoff has presented Israel and Hamas with a new outline to extend the ceasefire in the Gaza Strip, *Axios* reported, according to *The Times of Israel*.

The proposal, which differs from a previous outline put forward by Witkoff, would extend the current ceasefire by several weeks, until the end of both Ramadan and Passover, in exchange for the release of additional hostages, *Axios* said.

At the same time, Israel would also be required to resume the flow of humanitarian aid into the war-torn Palestinian enclave, it says.

One source said that Hamas will be required to release at least five living hostages and return the bodies of nine others on the first day of the extended truce. *AP*

TIT FOR TAT

Don threatens 200% tariff on champagne, wine from EU

WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Donald Trump on Thursday threatened a 200% tariff on European wine, Champagne and spirits if the European Union goes forward with a planned tariff on American whiskey.

The European tariff, which was unveiled in response to steel and aluminum tariffs by the US administration, is expected to go into effect on April 1, just ahead of separate reciprocal tariffs that Trump plans to place on the EU.

But Trump, in a morning social media post, vowed a new escalation in his trade war if the EU goes forward with the planned 50% tariff on American whiskey.

"If this Tariff is not removed immediately, the US will shortly place a 200% Tariff on all WINES, CHAMPAGNES, & ALCOHOLIC PRODUCTS COMING OUT OF FRANCE AND OTHER E.U. REPRESENTED COUNTRIES," Trump wrote. "This will be great for the Wine and Champagne businesses in the US."

The US president has defined his opening weeks in the White House with near daily drama regarding tariffs, saying that taxing imports might cause some economic pain but would eventually lead to more domestic manufacturing and greater respect for America.

As of now, Europe seems unwilling to back down.

"Trump is escalating the trade war he has chosen," Laurent Saint-Martin, the French delegate minister for foreign trade, said on X.

"France, together with the European Commission and our partners, is determined to fight back. We will not give in to threats." *AP*

340 Pak train hostages freed, 25 bodies recovered

MACH

THE bodies of at least 25 people, including 21 hostages, killed in a train siege by separatist gunmen in Pakistan were retrieved from the site on Thursday ahead of the first funerals, officials said.

Security forces said they freed more than 340 train passengers in a two-day rescue operation that ended late on Wednesday after a separatist group bombed a remote railway track in mountainous southwest Balochistan and stormed a train with around 450 passengers on board.

The assault was claimed by the Baloch Liberation Army (BLA), one of a number of separatist groups that accuse outsiders of plundering natural resources in Balochistan near the borders with Afghanistan and Iran.

Death tolls have varied, with the military saying in an official statement that "21 innocent hostages" were killed by the militants as well as four soldiers in the rescue operation.

A railway official in Balochistan said the bodies of 25 people were transported by

Rescued train passengers sit in a bus after being freed in Mach on Thursday | AFP

sengers who escaped from the siege said after walking for hours through rugged mountains to reach safety that they saw people being shot dead by militants.

The first funerals were expected to take place on Thursday evening, after the Muslim-majority nation broke its daily fast for Ramadan.

Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif arrived in the provincial capital of Quetta to meet with security officials, his office said.

"The Prime Minister expressed grief and sorrow over the martyrdom of security personnel and train passengers during the operation," according to a statement.

Security forces have been battling a decades-long insurgency in Balochistan but last year saw a surge in violence in the province compared with 2023. *AFP*

SpaceX flight trouble delays Sunita's return

CAPE CANAVERAL

A launch pad problem prompted SpaceX to delay a flight to the International Space Station on Wednesday to replace NASA's two stuck astronauts.

The new crew needs to get to the International Space Station before Butch Wilmore and Suni Williams can head home after nine months in orbit.

Concerns over a critical hydraulic system arose less than four hours before the Falcon rocket's planned evening liftoff from NASA's Kennedy Space Center. As the countdown clocks ticked down, engineers evaluated the hydraulics used to release one of the two arms clamping the rocket to its support structure. This structure needs to tilt back right before liftoff.

Already strapped into their capsule, the four astronauts awaited a final decision, which came down with less than an hour remaining in the countdown. SpaceX canceled for the day. Officials later said the launch was off until at least Friday.

Once at the space station, the US, Japanese and Russian crew will replace Wilmore and Williams, who have been up there since June. The two test pilots had to move into the space station for an extended stay after Boeing's new Starliner capsule encountered major breakdowns in transit.

Starliner's debut crew flight was supposed to last just a week, but NASA ordered the capsule to return empty and transferred Wilmore and Williams to SpaceX for return. *AP*

ASIA MATTERS

MALAYSIA

EX-PM MEETS ANTI-GRAFT OFFICIALS

Former Malaysian prime minister Ismail Sabri Yaakob met anti-graft officials on Thursday, after multiple delays in a multimillion-dollar corruption investigation that has outraged residents worn down by the cascade of such allegations involving senior politicians, *SCMP* reported. Ismail Sabri is the latest former leader to be hauled up by the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission. Ismail Sabri was last week named a suspect by the MACC in a money-laundering investigation after cash, gold bars were seized from safe houses allegedly linked to his aides.

THAILAND

FOUR CITIES NAMED FOR CASINO PROJECT

The special committee overseeing the casino project has announced that Bangkok, Chon Buri, Chiang Mai and Phuket will be the first four locations, amid public criticism, *Bangkok Post* reported. Nikorn Boonwiset, the vice-chairman of the special committee, said several international investors have already shown interest in the project.

SINGAPORE

VIETNAMESE LEADER VISITS CITY-STATE

Singapore and Vietnam announced an upgrade of bilateral relations to a Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP), underscoring their commitment to deepening cooperation in emerging sectors, including the digital economy, renewable energy and carbon credits, *CNA* reported. The move came during the official visit of the Vietnamese leader To Lam. The General Secretary of the Communist Party of Vietnam is in Singapore till Thursday. This is his first visit to Singapore since he was named the party chief in August last year.

Arrests rock European MPs over Huawei bribery charge

BRUSSELS

BELGIAN federal prosecutors on Thursday announced the arrests of several people in a corruption probe linked to the European Parliament and the Chinese company Huawei, which is suspected of bribing EU lawmakers.

The arrests came as an investigation by *Le Soir* newspaper and other media said lobbyists working for the Chinese telecoms giant were suspected of bribing current or former European Parliament members to promote the company's commercial policies in Europe.

The prosecutor's office confirmed in a statement that the alleged bribery "is said to have benefited Huawei."

About 100 federal police officers carried out 21 searches in Brussels, the Flanders and Wallonia regions, and Portugal. The investigating magistrate in charge of the case also asked for seals to be placed on offices inside the EU Parliament allocated to two parliamentary assistants allegedly involved.

Prosecutors said one person was arrested in France.

The suspects would be questioned over "alleged involvement in active corruption within the European Parliament, as well as for forgery and use of forgeries," prosecutors said. "The offences were allegedly committed by a criminal organisation."

Huawei public relations representatives in London did not respond to a request for comment, could not be reached by phone. The European Parliament said only that the assembly "takes note of the information" and "always cooperates fully with the judicial authorities." *AP*

EXPRESS READ

Pope marks 12th anniversary of his papacy

Rome: Pope Francis marked the 12th anniversary of his papacy on Thursday with increasingly positive medical updates four weeks into his hospitalisation for double pneumonia. The pope spent another tranquil night, the Vatican said in its brief morning statement. A chest X-ray confirmed improvements, the Vatican said on Wednesday, just two days after days after doctors declared he's no longer in imminent danger of death. The latest medical bulletin said that the 88-year-old pope's condition remained stable

Five children killed after dam collapse

Harare: Five children were killed after a dam collapsed in eastern Zimbabwe, and rescuers were searching for two others who were reported missing, the country's disaster management agency said on Thursday. An influx of water following continuous rains in recent weeks breached the walls of the dam at a farm in Chipinge, a remote district in the east of the country

UN Secretary-General in Dhaka for aid push

Dhaka: UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres is getting a first-hand look at the situation of more than 1 million Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh as fears mount of serious aid cuts across the world following Washington's decision to shut down USAID operations. Bangladesh's foreign affairs adviser, Touhid Hossain, welcomed Guterres at Dhaka's main airport on Thursday

BACK IN TIME

Million-year-old human fossil found in Europe

WASHINGTON

A fossil of a partial face from a human ancestor is the oldest in western Europe, archaeologists reported on Wednesday.

The incomplete skull — a section of the left cheek bone and upper jaw – was found in northern Spain in 2022. The fossil is between 1.1 million and 1.4 million years old, according to research published in the journal *Nature*.

"The fossil is exciting," said Eric Delson, a paleontologist at the American Museum of Natural History, who was not involved in the study. "It's the first time we have significant remains older than 1 million years old in western Europe."

A fossil of the left midface of a hominin between 1.1 million and 1.4 million years old recovered from the Sima del Elefante site in Sierra de Atapuerca, Burgos, Spain | AP

A collection of older fossils from early human ancestors was previously found in Georgia, near the crossroads of eastern Europe and Asia. Those are estimated to be 1.8 million years old.

The Spanish fossil is the first evidence that clearly shows human ancestors "were taking excursions into Europe" at that time, said Rick Potts, director of the Smithsonian's Human Origins Program.

But there is not yet evidence that the earliest arrivals persisted there long, he said. "They may get to a new location and then die out," said Potts, who had no role in the study.

The partial skull bears many similarities to Homo erectus, but there are also some anatomical differences, said study co-author Rosa Huguet, an archaeologist at the Catalan Institute of Human Paleoecology and Social Evolution in Tarragona, Spain.

Homo erectus arose around 2 million years ago and moved from Africa to regions of Asia and Europe, with the last individuals dying out around 100,000 years ago, said Potts.

The same cave complex in Spain's Atapuerca Mountains where the new fossil was found also previously yielded other significant clues to the ancient human past.

Researchers working in the region have also found more recent fossils from Neanderthals and early Homo sapiens. *AP*

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
200.85 ▼	Sensex	73,828.91	₹600 ▲	24 carat (10 gm)	₹88,730	₹1,000 ▲	1 kg	₹110,000	▼ Dollar	87.08
73.30 ▼	Nifty	22,397.20	₹550 ▲	22 carat (10 gm)	₹81,350	₹10 ▲	10 gm	₹1,100	▼ Euro	94.74

IndusInd fiasco: CEO made ₹100 cr in share sale

CEO Sumant Kathpalia and deputy CEO Arun Khurana sold shares worth ₹157 crore during 2023 and 2024

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @Mumbai

INDUSIND BANK chief executive Sumant Kathpalia and deputy chief executive Arun Khurana sold net worth ₹157 crore during 2023 and 2024. During this period, they had also bought shares worth ₹59 crore.

Both executives are beneficiaries of the employees stock option scheme (Esops) and they sold and bought back the shares of the bank under this option.

The fifth-largest private sector lender has been in trouble since this Monday when it had declared that it did not make provisions for its losses — running into at least ₹2,000 crore according to analysts — or 2.35% of its networth, which as of December 2024 had stood at ₹64,000 crore — for its forex derivatives book. The Hinduja promoted bank said it had conducted the review of its book after the Reserve Bank has asked it do so.

As per insider-trading data from the BSE, Kathpalia, whose bid to get a three-year third term was scuttled by the Reserve Bank by allowing only a one-year term over the past weekend, sold nearly 9,50,000 shares valued at ₹134 crore between May 24, 2023, and June 25, 2024, while buying 3,96,000 shares worth ₹34 crore, thus making a net profit of ₹100 crore.

Similarly, Khurana had sold 5,50,000 shares from his Esop basket for ₹82 crore during 2023-24 and had bought 2,38,000 shares worth ₹25 crore, making a profit of ₹57 crore, show the insider trading data from the BSE.

The bank did not respond to queries from the New Indian Express. Earlier this week, the bank had disclosed that it had discovered discrepancies in its derivatives portfolio, potentially resulting in a ₹2,000 crore loss in its balance-sheet, with the entire provisioning hit to be taken in the March quarter. The admission led to a 27% erosion in the value of its stocks on Tuesday, wiping off as much as ₹19,000 crore from its market capitalisaiton, which even sunk lower than that of Yes Bank's around ₹51,000 crore. However, after chairman Ashok Hinduja assured of capital infusion if needed and Kathpalia's assertion that the bank would remain profitable in the March quarter, the stock had clawed back 4.4% of the losses. But on Thursday, it was still trading in the red with 50 bps loss at 1400 hrs on the BSE.

The discrepancies in booking losses were identified between September and October 2024, Kathpalia had said during an analyst call later in the day on Monday. The fiasco at IndusInd had the RBI reportedly asking all banks with large forex derivatives books to provide details such as the size of the exposure, hedging and of their forex deposits. "The RBI is examining derivatives exposures of some private and state-run banks which have large forex derivatives books," a private sector banker whose bank has been asked to provide details of their exposure told The New Indian Express on Wednesday, asking not be identified.

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

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Patanjali acquires stake in Magma General Insurance

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @New Delhi

BILLIONAIRE Adar Poonawalla's Sanoti Properties has approved the sale of its insurance subsidiary, Magma General Insurance Limited (formerly Magma HDI General Insurance Company Limited), to Patanjali Ayurved Limited and Noida-headquartered diversified conglomerate DS Group for nearly ₹4,500 crore.

The deal is subject to regulatory approvals and has been structured under a share purchase agreement (SPA). Besides Sanoti Properties, Celica Developers and Jaguar Advisory Services are also participating in the sale.

Patanjali Ayurved, a major player in India's FMCG sector with a wide range of products including cosmetics, ayurvedic medicines, personal care, and food items, is now eyeing the underpenetrated general insurance market. A spokesperson for Patanjali highlighted the sector's potential, citing recent regulatory reforms such as opening up of 100% foreign direct investment (FDI) and the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India's (IRDAI) vision of "insurance for all by 2047."

"Structurally general insurance is significantly underpenetrated vis-a-vis developed countries and IRDAI vision for insurance by 2047 could go a long way in plugging the gap. Magma could benefit immensely from our ability to infuse growth capital, huge distribution strength including access to rural markets as Patanjali products are available at 2,00,000 counters, national level chains including Reliance Retail, Hyper City, Star Bazaar and 250 Patanjali Mega Stores," added the spokesperson.

Magma offers a portfolio of over 70 insurance products, covering both retail (Motor, health, personal accident, home insurance) and commercial (fire, engineering, liability, marine insurance) categories. The insurer reported a gross written premium (GWP) of ₹3,295 crore in FY24 and is projected to achieve a GWP of ₹3,650-3,700 crore in FY25, with an expected profit before tax (PBT) of ₹20-25 crore. Poonawalla, who heads Serum Institute of India and is associated with Sanoti Properties, expressed confidence in Magma's future under the new ownership.

Forex kitty up by $15.3 bn, biggest rise since Aug '21

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THE foreign exchange reserves, which has been falling since October as the RBI was defending the rupee, has recorded biggest weekly gains since August 27, 2021, jumping by $15.3 billion to touch $654 billion for the week to March 7.

The gain was primarily due to the $10 billion rupee-dollar swap conducted on February 28, apart from the valuation gains due to the increase in gold prices. The reserves had peaked at $704.9 billion in the week to September 27, 2024, but since then it has been a southward-ho as the rupee came under massive pressure and has since lost almost 4%, touching a low of 87.95 on February 10.

As per a Bloomberg report quoting the weekly statistical supplement release of the RBI on Thursday (the central bank usually releases the forex data on Fridays but this Friday being a holiday, it has released it a day in advance), the foreign exchange reserves soared by $15.3 billion to $654 billion on back of the central bank injecting $10 billion through a foreign-exchange swap auction on Feb 28. This helped the dollar stockpile to post its biggest weekly gain in over three years - since August 27, 2021.

Exporters asked to come out of protectionist mindset

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AMID threat of reciprocal tariff, Union Minister of Commerce & Industry Piyush Goyal has asked exporters to come out of their protectionist mindset and encouraged them to be bold and ready to deal with the world from a position of strength and self-confidence.

Allaying the concerns of the industry with regard to the US, the minister has called on the Export Promotion Councils (EPCs) to reflect on their strengths and share their demands and interests with the government for better engagement with the US.

The Donald Trump Administration in the US has announced it will levy reciprocal tariffs on Indian goods from April 2. Analysts fear most Indian exports to the US would become expensive as a result of the US government move.

Goyal, addressing a gathering of Export Promotion Councils (EPCs) and industry leaders here on Thursday, said "the age of protectionism must give way to self-confidence and competitiveness,"

Reflecting on the changing global scenario, the minister has assured, all the EPCs that the government is working on overtime basis, and will leave no stone unturned to ensure a good future for Indian exporters, both merchandise and service and to protect the interest of the country.

As the US tightens its trade policies, expecting fair play and parity in tariffs, India sees an opportunity to reset the narrative. Goyal assured the industry that the government is working overtime to ensure that Indian exporters, both in merchandise and services, are protected and positioned to thrive. "We are in the final stages of negotiating Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) that will open new doors for our exporters," he said. "These are not just trade deals; they are partnerships for the future."

Informing that India is on the path to cross $800 billion this year with the major share of Services exports, the Minister has urged the merchandise exporters to remain ahead of the curve and increase their exports. Additional increase in Exports in the last fortnight will usher in the confidence of the Exporters to try and aspire to cross 900 billion dollars exports in the coming year.

K'taka, Maha, T'gana hubs for quick commerce jobs

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WITH rapid expansion of quick commerce, hiring in the sector is also increasing as data indicates that Karnataka (20%), Maharashtra (19%), and Telangana (13%) are the primary hubs for quick commerce jobs.

Staffing company TeamLease Services in its report says Haryana and West Bengal each account for 4% of the workforce and remain underpenetrated markets with scope for expansion. The sector's monthly transacting users (MTUs) have risen by 40% in 2024. It says the average monthly orders per customer have grown from 4.4 in 2021 to 6 in 2024. The report, which analyses employment trends in q-commerce sector, said the workforce remains predominantly young, with average employee aged between 25 and 26. Companies rely heavily on temporary and seasonal staffing, with associates averaging a tenure of 6 months. The sector remains male-dominated, with women making up 8% of the contractual workforce.

Balasubramanian A, senior VP and Business Head at TeamLease Services, said the country's q-commerce sector is expanding at an unprecedented rate, with the market size projected to reach $5 billion by 2025, growing at a CAGR of 10-15%. "The surge in last-mile delivery, dark store operations, and warehouse management roles is reshaping the gig economy, with Karnataka, Maharashtra, and Telangana leading as key employment hubs," he said.

Gensol approves ₹600 cr fundraising to pare debt

ARSHAD KHAN @New Delhi

FACING rating downgrades and liquidity challenges, Gensol Engineering's board has approved fundraising initiatives totalling ₹600 crore to reduce debt and improve its debt-equity ratio.

The company also announced a stock split in the ratio of 1:10, even as its shares have plummeted approximately 55% over the past 13 trading sessions.

The fundraising plan includes ₹400 crore through the issuance of Foreign Currency Convertible Bonds (FCCBs) and ₹200 crore through warrants to promoters, priced at ₹56 per warrant after adjusting for the stock split.

Gensol stated that these measures reflect its commitment to sustainable growth, debt reduction, and maximizing stakeholder value. Combined with ongoing divestments—including the sale of vehicles and a subsidiary—the initiatives are expected to significantly improve the company's financial health and long-term resilience.

As of now, Gensol Engineering's debt stands at ₹1,146 crore against reserves of ₹589 crore, resulting in a high debt-equity ratio of 1.95. The ₹600 crore fundraising is expected to boost reserves to approximately Rs 1,200 crore. Additionally, with ₹615 crore worth of divestments underway, the company projects its debt will reduce to around ₹530 crore, leading to a healthier debt-equity ratio of 0.44.

"Our foremost priority is to strengthen Gensol's balance sheet, and we are taking bold and decisive steps to address it, starting with this fundraising," said Anmol Singh Jaggi, managing director of Gensol Engineering.

The renewable energy company recently faced multiple rating downgrades due to delays in servicing its term loan. ICRA accused Gensol of falsifying debt servicing documents and downgraded its rating to 'default' based on lender feedback. Similarly, CARE Ratings downgraded the company from 'BB+' to 'default.'

Amid these challenges, Ankit Jain, Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Key Managerial Personnel, resigned from his position recently.

Gensol stated that the record date for the stock split will be announced after obtaining shareholder approval. The company's shares have declined by about 55% in the past 13 sessions and are down nearly 77% from their all-time high. On Thursday, the stock closed 5% lower at ₹261.70.

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Gold hits ₹89,450/10g; global rate crosses $2,990

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DOMESTIC gold prices touched an all-time high of ₹89,450/10g, amid global clues—primarily because of the steep fall on the Wall Street due to the intensifying trade wars.

The yellow metal is expected to scale higher on Monday as international prices rose to an all-time of $2990/ounce on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange early on Thursday.

In the Delhi market, gold prices climbed by ₹600 to revisit the all-time high of ₹89,450/10 grams on Thursday amid a firm global trend, according to local marketmen. The metal of 99.9% purity had settled at ₹88,850 on Wednesday.

On February 20, the yellow metal had touched an all-time high of ₹89,450 first time. Given the massive rally in the global market— at 9 pm, the metal was trading at $2990/ounce on the CME-- the domestic prices are set to shoot up much higher when the market reopens on Monday. In Kerala, the largest market in the country, prices hit an all-time of 81200, up 55 a gram of gold jewellery—the domestic prices are not an exact conversion of the CME prices, nut a blended mix of LME and Dubai prices—based on the global average price of $2944 on Wednesday.

The Gems and Gold Council is expecting the prices continue to climb going forward as the tariff war intensifies. Foreign analysts are expecting the metal to climb to $3100-3200 this year. "Gold is in a secular bull market. we forecast prices to trade between $3000 and $3200 per ounce this year", Allegiance Gold said in a note, which also added that Trump's trade policies have helped the metal rally 12% since January 20, when he assumed office.

Meanwhile, silver prices also rallied by ₹1,000 to hit nearly a five-month high of ₹1,01,200/kg. The white metal had finished at ₹1,00,200/kg in the previous market close.

In futures trade on the Multi-Commodity Exchange, gold contracts for April delivery rallied by ₹210 to hit a record high of ₹86,896. "Gold prices surged to a new record high in the domestic market, while in the international market, spot gold rallied to near-record highs buoyed by safe-haven demand and cooler-than-expected US consumer inflation data, which supported the case for further Federal Reserve monetary easing this year," Saumil Gandhi, senior commodity analyst at HDFC Securities, said.

Traders are now looking forward to US macroeconomic data, including weekly jobless claims and PPI/Core PPI (Producer Price Index), for more cues on the overall inflation basket.

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Rangsons Aerospace raises ₹300 cr to scale operations

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PRODUCT technology firm for aerospace, defence and homeland security Rangsons Aerospace has raised ₹300 crore towards expanding its operational capacity and drive growth into new business areas through strategic acquisitions.

This funding round was led by ValueQuest Investment Advisors and had Anand Rathi Advisors as the financial advisor for the transaction.

This investment in the Mysuru-based company, which is part of the NR Group, marks the first addition to the portfolio construction for ValueQuest Tristar Fund, a Category II AIF (Alternate Investment Fund) focused on thematic sector investments.

Pavan Ranga, managing director, Rangsons Aerospace, said, "We are excited about this fund raise from ValueQuest. It will help accelerate our expansion plans and enhance our ability to serve the growing demands of the aerospace and defence sectors".

This investment fuels its vision of expanding into global markets and advancing aerospace innovation. "One of our goals is to capture a significant share of the ₹20,000 crore fluid-conveyance system market while continuing to develop world-class solutions for India's Ministry of Defence and international partners," he added.

Ravi Dharamshi, founder & chief investment officer, ValueQuest, said, "Tristar is specifically designed to capitalise on the long-term growth potential in sectors like defence, aerospace, and precision engineering." This marks the fourth transaction in the burgeoning Indian aerospace sector for Anand Rathi Investment Banking and its second with ValueQuest.

EXPRESS READ

Fitch removes Adani Energy's rating watch

NEW DELHI: Fitch Ratings has removed Adani Energy from a rating watch and assigned it a negative outlook, saying Adani group has demonstrated adequate funding access since the US indictment. The agency said Adani group has "demonstrated adequate funding access" since Gautam Adani and two executives were indicted in the US court on allegations of being part of a bribery scheme to win a energy supply contract. *ENS*

Rupee surges 17 paise against US dollar

NEW DELHI: Rupee surged 17 paise to settle at 87.05 against the US dollar on Thursday following robust macroeconomic data and easing crude oil prices. Besides, recent weakness in the dollar index also supported the local currency, forex dealers said. At the interbank foreign exchange, rupee opened at 87.13 and hit the intraday high of 86.94 against greenback. The unit touched day's low of 87.15 before ending session at 87.05, up 17 paise against the previous closing level. *ENS*

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PUBLIC OPEN AUCTION NOTIFICATION

Fiscal Policy Institute (FPI) intends to conduct a **Public Open Auction on 24.03.2025** for disposal of their Government Vehicle **No. KA-41-G-0013 (Mahindra Xylo)** on **"where is, as is condition"** basis.

For more information, interested bidders may visit the Fiscal Policy Institute's website address **https://fpibengaluru.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/- Director
Fiscal Policy Institute

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CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL HOSAPETE

No: CMC HPT/15th finance/2024-25 Dated: 12-03-2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION (IFT) E-PROCUREMENT

2024-25 15th finance (tied) grant tenders are invited for the work mentioned below as per KTPP act 2000 in two cover system are invited from the eligible Contractors/Firms registered in KPWD as mentioned below. in e-procurement the contractors / firms will have to upload all information, documents and rates etc., www.kppp.karnataka.govt.in 1) Tender Last **Date:19-03-2025 5.00 PM.** 2) Opening for Technical Bid will be on **Date: 20-03-2025 5.10 PM.** 3) Opening for Financial Bid will be on **Date:21-03-2025 5.10 PM** Indent No: **1)DMA/2024-25/OW/WORK_INDENT_30481/CALL-3** Estimated Cost Rs in (Lakh) 70.00 any other information required can be obtained from the office of the CMC Hosapete during the working hours.

Sd/- Assistant Executive Engineer, CMC Hosapete **Sd/- Municipal Commissioner,CMC Hosapete.**

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DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of "The Securitisation and reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No. 54 of 2002)"

To,
1. **Mr.G Ramesh** S/o Mr.Gangeellappa, (Borrower),
2. **Mr.Srinivas.R** S/o Mr.G Ramesh,(Co- Borrower),
3. **Mrs.Rathnamma** W/o Mr.G Ramesh ,(Co- Borrower),
No. 36,Byatarayana Doddi,Bannergatta Road, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Karnataka 560083.

You have availed a housing loan from our branch against the security of mortgage of the following asset belonging to you. An amount of **Rs.5,49,550/-** (Rupees Five Lakhs Forty Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty Only) is due from you, to Can Fin Homes Ltd. as on 07.03.2025 together with future interest at the contracted rate.

Details of the mortgaged Property: site No. 67, E Katha No.150200101101120085, Situated At Boothanahalli Village, Bannergatta Panchayath, Jigani Hobali, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Karnataka 560083. measuring East to West 30 feet, North to South 20 feet totally 600 Sq ft and bounded on the : - East by:20 feet Road,West by: Site.no.80, North by: Site.no.68, South by: Site.no.66.

Registered demand notice was sent to you under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, but the same was returned unserved. The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrower/s as per the said Act. Hence this paper publication. As you have failed to adhere to the terms of the sanction, the account is classified as a Non Performing Asset on. **01.03.2025** as per the NHB Guidelines. The borrowers and any others claiming under them are hereby called upon to pay the above said amount with contracted rateof interest thereon from **07.03.2025** within 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which the undersigned will be constrained to Initiate action under SARFAESI Act to enforce the aforesaid security. Further, the attention of borrowers / guarantors is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them to redeem the secured assets.

Place: Devanahalli
Date : 13.03.2025

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Limited

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client IDBI Bank had sanctioned Mortgage loan in favour of Mr.C.K.Doreswamy, S/o Karigowda by depositing the title deeds pertaining to the Residential House Property bearing Site No.12, Khatha No.59/1, New BBMP Khatha No.210/203/188/59/1/12, Situated at Bommanahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, and kept the Original Documents pertaining to the aforesaid property at Bank Custody, during the time of maintenance at bank, the below mentioned documents pertaining to the aforesaid property have lost.

i) Original Sale Deed, executed by B.C.Shobha in favour of C.K.Doreswamy, Doc.No.2907/1997-98, Book-I, dated 21.07.1997.
ii) Original Betterment Charges Paid receipt, dated 24.04.1998.
iii) Original Building Plan.
iv) Original Khatha Certificate dated 02.08.2016.
v) Original Tax paid receipt dated 05.05.2015.
vi) Original Encumbrance Certificate 01.07.1985 to 30.06.1998; 01.04.1998 to 31.03.2014; 01.04.2004 to 03.08.2015.

Whereas my client has made Search of the said original documents, in-spite of its best efforts the above said original documents have not been traced out so far. In this behalf my client has lodged complaint on 11.03.2025 through Bengaluru City Police Website, Police Unit: Crime Branch Bengaluru City Police, Bangalore (Report No.BLRC2025031136). If anybody is having custody over the above mentioned Original Documents or finds the same, they shall communicate/contact me with original documents to the below mentioned address

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North Eastern Railway

E-Tender Notice

No. N-235-62 Tele Tender 02-2025

Dy. Chief Signal & Telecom Engineer/ Tele/HQ, N.E. Railway, Gorakhpur for and on behalf of President of India invites E-Tender for the following works from the contractors having sufficient experience as per eligibility criteria mentioned in tender document. **1. Tender No. :** N-235-62 Tele Tender 02-2025; **2. Name of Work :** Supply, Installation, testing & commissioning of various Telecom material for provision Telecom facilities in Boys Inter Collage Gorakhpur, N.E. Railway; **3. Tender Value :** ₹ 7,79,534.93 (Rs. Seven Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Four and Ninety Three Paisa only); **4. Bid Security :** ₹ 15,600/-; **5. Validity of Offer :** 60 days; **6. Place, Date & Time of closing and opening of Tender :** Office of the DSTE/ Tele, N.E. Rly, Gorakhpur. 15.04.2025 at 15:00 Hrs.; **7. Completion Period :** 03 (Three) Months; **8.** For any changes of tender, please check on internet website for Corrigendum of the original tender notice. **9.** Detailed tender notice, Documents, Eligibility criteria, terms & conditions are available at website **http://www.ireps.gov.in**. **Note : The Tenderers/bidders must upload all relevant attachments/ Format/Annexure along with their bid.**

Dy. Chief Signal & Telecom Engineer/Tele/
CPRO/Sig-105 HQ, N.E. Railway, Gorakhpur

Do not travel with inflammable article in train

Indian Overseas Bank

REGIONAL OFFICE, MYSORE

No. 2254, Kousalya Commercial Complex, First Floor, Vinobha Road
Devaraja Mohalla, Mysore- 570005, Tel: 0821 / 2364288. E mail id: 3808gad@iob.in

TENDER NOTICE

Tenders are hereby invited for **Electrical Works and Interior Works of INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK, Krishnarajanagara branch, Mysuru.**

The offer as above should be submitted at the above address by **24.03.2025, 4.00 p.m.** You may log on to our website **www.iob.in** (under tender section) for technical and financial bid formats and other details or can also be obtained from Regional Office Mysuru at the above mentioned address.

Date: 12.03.2025
Place: Mysore

Sd/-, Chief Manager, Regional Office, Mysore

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE V Addl. CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE, (CCH-13) AT BENGALURU

P & SC No. 118/2025

BETWEEN : 1. Mr. ANAND VENKATANAGA KAKUMANI, S/o Ramanathan Kakumani, Aged about 56 years, Residing at: 111, Radek CT, Downingtown, PA 19335 (USA) (Represented by his POA holder Mr.Venkata Satish Kumar Kakumani)
2. Mr. VENKATA SATISH KUMAR KAKUMANI, S/o Ramanathan Kakumani, Aged about 52 years, Residing at: B G Sraddha Tulip Apartments – A Block, 2nd Main, 3rd Cross, AECS Layout, Kundalahalli, Bangalore – 560037. **: PETITIONERS**
AND : NIL **: RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above named Petitioners have filed a Petition under Sec 372 of Indian Succession Act, praying for grant of Succession Certificate with respect to the Bank Account and shares purchased by Late. Smt. Varalakshamma Kakumani, who died on 24.01.2025, mother of the petitioners herein which are morefully described in the schedule of the Petition.

Any person having their objection/s for the issue of Succession Certificate in respect to the Schedule Property in favour of the Petitioners and any person having interest may cause the same by appearing before the V Addl. City Civil and Sessions Court (CCH-13) in person or through their Advocate on this the **3rd day of April, 2025 at 11:00 AM** failing which the matter will be heard and disposed off in accordance with law.

SCHEDULE

ITEM No. 1 : Bank Account in her name bearing **A/c No. 746010070270 in the Kotak Mahindra Bank**, Ramachandra Nagar, Anantapur, Andra Pradesh.

ITEM No. 2 : Shares in the Stockholding Corporation of India Ltd., a subsidiary of IFCI Ltd. **(Client ID No.40183400, DP ID No. IN301330)** which amounts to **Rs. 2,18,54,384.65/- (Rupees Two Crore Eighteen Lakh Fifty Four Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty Four Only)**

Sl No	ISIN	Company	No.of Shares	Price	Valuation
1	INE124C01016	Addlife Pharma Ltd. Eq	100	46	46.00
2	INE885A01032	Amara Raja Energy & Mobility Ltd Eq New Fv Re.1/-	3557	1,069.25	3803322.25
3	INE208A01029	Ashok Leyland Ltd Eq New Fv Re.1/-	100	211.40	21140.00
4	INE021A01026	Asian Paints Ltd Eq New Fv Re.1	25	2,355.25	58881.25
5	INE238A01034	Axis Bank Ltd Eq New Fv Rs. 2/-	40	1,015.45	40618.00
6	INE296A01024	Bajaj Finance Ltd Eq New Fv Rs. 2/-	15	8,479.90	127198.50
7	INE918I01026	Bajaj Finserv Limited Eq New Fv Re.1/-	35	212.90	42580.00
8	INE028A01039	Bank of Baroda Eq New Fv Rs. 2/-	200	212.90	42580.00
9	INE457A01014	Bank of Maharashtra Eq	100	50.30	5030.00
10	INE463A01038	Berger Paints India Limited Eq New Fv Re.1/-	60	489.55	29373.00
11	INE171Z01026	Bharat Dynamics Limited Eq New Fv Rs. 5/-	80	1,191.35	95308.00
12	INE476A01022	Canara Bank Eq New Fv Rs. 2/-	2225	92.86	206613.50
13	INE071N01016	Epigral Limited Eq	47	1,895.85	89104.95
14	INE040A01034	HDFC Bank Limited Eq New Fv Re. 1/-	158	1,722.25	272115.50
15	INE158A01026	Hero Motocorp Limited Eq Fv Rs. 2/-	15	4,237.25	63558.75
16	INE090A01021	ICICI Bank Limited Eq New Fv Rs. 2/-	236	1,268.45	299354.20
17	INE092T01019	IDFC First Bank Limited	770	62.14	47847.80
18	INE414F01022	IFSL Limited Eq New Fv Re. 1/-	800	.39	312.00
19	INE022Q01020	Indian Energy Exchange Limited Eq New Fv Rs.1/-	250	173.80	43450.00
20	INE009A01021	Infosys Limited Eq Fv Rs. 5/-	1496	1,899.25	3031203.00
21	INE379A01028	ITC Hotels Limited Eq	111	164.85	18276.15
22	INE154A01025	ITC Limited Eq New Fv Re.1/-	1118	455.50	509249.00
23	INE758E01017	JIO Financial Services Limited Eq	1070	245.05	232203.50
24	INE019A01038	JSW Steel Limited Eq New Fv Re.1/-	60	944.20	56652.00
25	INE237A01028	Kotak Mahindra Bank Limted Eq New Fv Rs. 5/-	32	1,930.45	61774.40
26	INE018A01030	Larsen And Toubro Limited Eq New Fv Rs. 2/-	1915	3,443.60	6594494.00
27	INE101A01026	Mahindra And Mahindra Limited Eq New Fv Rs.5/-	85	3,190.35	271179.75
28	INE585B01010	Maruti Suzuki India Limited Eq	50	13,109.75	655487.50
29	INE095N01031	NBCC (India) Limited Eq New Fv Re. 1/-	150	93.06	13959.00
30	INE134E01011	Power Finance Corporation Limited Eq	20	405.15	8103.00
31	INE560K01014	PTC India Financial Services Limited Eq	600	37.81	22686.00
32	INE160A01022	Punjab National Bank Eq New Fv Rs. 2/-	508	99.05	50317.40
33	INE855B01025	Rain Industries Limited Eq New Rs. 2/-	300	145.90	43770.00
34	INE002A01018	Reliance Industries Limited Eq	2140	1,286.0	2752040.00
35	INE062A01020	State Bank of India Eq New Re. 1/-	1255	779.20	977896.00
36	INE03QT01027	Sterlite Grid 5 Limited Eq New Fv Rs. 2/-	40	2.00	80.00
37	INE110V01015	Sterlite Power Transmission Limited Eq	40	2.00	80.00
38	INE044A01036	Sun Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd. Eq New Fv Re.1/-	65	1,767.05	114858.25
39	INE092A01019	Tata Chemicals Limited Eq	60	918.45	55107.00
40	INE467B01029	Tata Consultancy Services Ltd. Eq New Fv Re.1/-	70	4,113.70	287959.00
41	INE155A01022	Tata Motors Limited Eq New Fv Rs. 2/-	835	710.70	593434.50
42	INE081A01020	Tata Steel Limited Eq New Fv Re.1/-	850	133.40	113390.00
43	INE669C01036	Tech Mahindra Limited Eq New Fv Rs. 5/-	10	1,659.50	16595.00
44	INE245A01021	The Tata Power Company Ltd. Eq New Fv Re.1/-	20	362.15	7243.00
45	INE068A01019	Usha India Limited Eq	200	10.00	2000.00
46	INE383C01018	Xedd Telecom Limited Eq	2500	10.00	25000.00
				Total Value is Rs. 21,854,384.65/-	

Given under my hand and seal of this Hon'ble Court on the 5th day of March, 2025.

Advocate for Petitioners :
Nimmy. K. S, Indira. S. S, Advocates
No. SB-1, Manipal Centre, Dickenson Road, Bengaluru - 42

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Seristedar
City Civil Court, Bangalore

BANGALORE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD

INVITATION FOR TENDER

(Through KPP Portal Only)

BWSSB invites Tenders from registered Agencies for the following Works.

Office of the Chief Engineer (South), 7th Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bengaluru - 560009.

Sl. No.	Division	IFT Number	Sl. No.	Amount Put to Tender / EMD Amount	Last Date & Time for Submission of Tender	Date & Time for Opening of Tender
1	(South-2)	BWSSB/EE(S2)/PB/2479/ 2024-25 Dated: 05-03-2025	1	Rs. 3,24,959/- / Rs. 8,200/-	21-03-2025 Upto 4.00 PM	25-03-2025 After 4.30 PM
		BWSSB/EES2/TO/PB/2481/ 2024-25 Dated: 05-03-2025	2	Rs. 77,57,326/- / Rs. 1,55,147/-	21-03-2025 Upto 4.00 PM	25-03-2025 After 4.00 PM
		BWSSB/EES2/TO/PB/2483/ 2024-25 Dated: 05-03-2025	3	Rs. 75,84,395/- / Rs. 1,51,688/-		

Sd/- Executive Engineer (South-2)

The details regarding the tender and participation in the e-Procurement Portal process can be obtained by logging on to **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** For further details contact the above signed office during working hours.

DIPR/CP/Adverto/5641/2024-25

DCB Bank Ltd,
2nd Floor, Jyothi Majestic, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad-Telangana 500 034

DCB BANK

E- AUCTION SALE NOTICE

Under Rule 9(1) of Security Interest(Enforcement) Rules, 2002

E-Auction sale notice for sale of Immovable Assets under the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) R/w. Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the borrower(s), co-borrowers and the guarantors, by the Authorized Officer, that the under mentioned property is mortgaged to DCB BANK LTD., The Authorized Officer of the Bank has taken the possession under the provision of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. The properties will be sold by tender cum public E-auction as mentioned below for recovery of under mentioned dues and further interest, charges and cost etc. as per the below details. The properties will be sold "as is where is" and "as is what is" and "whatever there is" condition basis with all the existing and future encumbrances if any, whether known or unknown to DCB Bank Ltd as per the brief particulars given and mentioned in schedule hereunder.

S. No.	Name of Borrower(s) and Co-borrower(s), Guarantor(s)	Total Dues Outstanding as on()	Reserve Price(Rs.)	EMD (Rs.)	Date and time of E-Auction	Type of Possession
1.	**Mrs Padmavathi Chithajallu, Raja Babu Chittalu,Sandeep Chittalu And Sree Gold Covering Work (Loan No DRBLVIA00405245)**	Rs.**59,19,475/-** as on 20th Nov 2024	**Rs.70,20,000/-**	**Rs.7,02,000/-**	**29th Mar 2025 From 11.30 on**	**Physical**

Description Of The Immovable Property:(Schedule as per Gift Deed dated 18.07.2008):All that piece and parcel of non-agricultural premises consisting of a shop in the Ground Floor and an office in the First Floor above the same and bearing Munical Old No.1 New No.89, Situated in Basavanna Temple Street, Avenue Road Cross, Corporation Division NO.26, Bangalore measuring East To West 9 and North to south 20.6.and bounded on :North : Remaining portion of Shop No. 89 in the occupation of Mahendra Kumar and ishal Kumar,South : Basavanna Temple Street,East : Shop No.604 in the occupation of S.P. Harinatha Setty and B.. Jayalakshmi,West : Remaining portion of Shop No. 89 in the occupation of Harish Nagpal.

Date and time of submission of EMD on or before 28th Mar 2025 before 5 pm with request letter of participation KYC,Pan Card , Proof of EMD, Contact Name & No : TUMMALA MURALI & 9963843212
The intending purchasers/bidders are required to deposit EMD amount either through **DD/NEFT/RTGS in the name of the beneficiary, DCB Bank, Account Name DCB BANK LOAN ACCOUNT NAME, Account No. DCB BANK LOAN ACCOUNT NUMBER. IFSC Code DCBL0000037, LOWER PAREL ,Branch - MUMBAI**

Inspection Date and Time: -22nd Mar 2025 11.00 am to 4.00 pm

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE E-AUCTION ARE AS UNDER:

1.E-Auction is being held on "as is where is " and "whatever there is Basis" and will be conducted "On Line". The auction will be conducted through the Bank's approved service provider M/s 4 closure India (Contact No....... at their web portal https://www.bankauctions.in. E-auction tender document containing online e-auction bid form, Declaration , General Terms and Conditions of online auction sale are available in https://www.bankauctions.in.

2.To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer, there is no encumbrance on the property/ies. However, the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrance, tile of the property/ies put on auction and claims/ rights/ dues/ affecting the property, prior to submitting their bid. The e- Auction advertisement does not constitute and will be deemed to constitute any commitment or any representation of the bank. The property is being sold with all the existing and future encumbrances whether know or unknown to the Bank. The authorized Officer/ Secured creditor shall not be responsible in any way for any third party claims/right/dues.

3.The EMD is refundable without any interest if the bid is not successful. The undersigned reserve the rights to accept or reject any or all the offers or adjourned / postpone the sale without assigning any reason thereof. If the offer is accepted, the purchaser will have to deposit 25% (less EMD Amount) of the sale price immediately on the auction day and if the purchaser fails to deposit the same, the amount deposited towards earnest money shall be forfeited and the property shall forthwith be sold again. The balance amount of purchase price shall be payable on or before the 15th day of confirmation of sale and in default of payment within the stipulated period, the deposit towards earnest money will be forfeited and property will be re-sold. Any other statutory dues/ taxes/ stamp duty/ registration fee/ transfer fee have to be borne by the buyer separately.

4.The sale shall be subject to rules/ conditions prescribed under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

Date: 14-03-2025
Place: Bangalore & Vijayawada

Sd/-Authorised Officer
DCB Bank Limited

ANDHRA PRADESH TOURISM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED

aptdc
#55-17-2 to 4, 5th Floor, Stalin Building, Autonagar, VIJAYAWADA-7.E-mail : engg@aptdc.in

"e" PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Tender Notice No. 09/SE/Engg/APTDC/2024-25, Dt.13-03-2025

Name of the work: APTDC Limited is inviting bids for the followings works; **1). "Development of Enriching the Fort and Gorge Experience in Gandikota, YSR Kadapa District" (2nd call)** with Estimate Contract Value of **Rs. 52,43,27,846/-.** and **2). "Development of Borra Cave Experience at Araku in Alluri Seetha Rama Raju District"** under EPC Mode **(2nd call)** with Estimate Contract Value of **Rs. 24.09 Cr.** The details can be seen at 'e' procurement market place. i.e **www.apeprocurement.gov.in**, for further clarification please contact on **9848306437.**

Sd/- Smt. K. Amrapali, IAS, Managing Director.

ORISSA SCHOOL OF MINING ENGINEERING, KEONJHAR,GOVT.OF ODISHA

MININGROAD, KEONJHAR-758001,
EMAIL- osme_keonjhar@yahoo.com
Website: http://www.osme.co.in

TENDER CALL NOTICE

KK-388: Sealed tenders are invited from original equipment manufacturers/ authorized distributors/ dealers/ suppliers for supply of equipment, machineries, set-ups, etc. of reputed make (National/ International) for Orissa School of Mining Engineering, Keonjhar, Odisha which must reach this office latest by 28.03.2025 as per programme and tender documents released in our website: **www.osme.co.in.**

Sd/-
Principal
OSME, Keonjhar

OIPR-14059/11/0008/2425

BRUHAT BENAGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Senior Assistant Director (Horticulture – West),
8th Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru-560003.

No: S.A.D(H.W)/PR/07/2024-25 Dated: 13.03.2025

(CORRIGENDUM)

Reference: Tender Notification SADH (WEST) TENDER/ PR/07/2024-25 Dated: 06.03.2025

Short Term E-Procurement Tender Notification was published for the work of Providing Security Services to Parks for the year 2024-25 in the Jurisdiction of the Senior Assistant Director Horticulture (West) Zone Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike. The said Tender Notification was published in Kannada Daily Newspaper and English Newspaper on Dated: 07.03.2025. In this the following **(1)** Tender can be downloaded from: **14.03.2025** instead of 10.03.2025, **(2)** Pre bid meeting date on **15.03.2025 at 11 am (Sl No.2&6)** instead of 11.03.2025 at 11.00 AM (Sl. 2 & 6), **(3)** Tender Closing Date : **21.03.2025 at 4.30 pm** instead of 18.03.2025 at 4.30 PM, **(4)** Opening of Technical bid date: **24.03.2025 at 11.30 am** instead of 20.03.2025 at 11.30 AM, **(5)** Financially bid opening date: **24.03.2025 (Sl No.2&6)** After Approval of Technical bid. All other terms & conditions unchanged.

Sd/- Senior Assistant Director
(Horticulture – West), BBMP, Bengalore

CHAMARAJANAGAR INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

(An Autonomous institute of Govt of Karnataka)
Sy. No:124, Yadapura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Chamarajanagar-571313.
E-mail: directorcimscrnagara@gmail.com Tel: 08226-226701,
Website: https://cimscrnagara.karnataka.gov.in

No. CIMS/Tender/Ho.Gu./172/2024-25 Dated: 24.02.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION

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The Tender has been invited as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement act 1999 Rule 2000 for the supply of Group 'D' Manpower services for this Institution and its associated hospitals. The Tenderers may apply the tenders through http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in on or before 15.04.2025 at 5.00 p.m. Those tenders without E.M.D. will be rejected.

If, last date for submission of tender will be declared as Government Holiday, the next date shall be treated as last date. No separate Notification will be issued in this regard.

DIPR: CHANAGAR: 690:2024-25

Dean and Director,
CIMS, Chamarajanagar

KARNATAKA ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

No.16 C-1, Millers Tank Bed Area, Vasanthanagara,
Bengaluru - 560 052
Ph.: 080-22268677/ 78 / 79 Fax: 080-22268667
e-Mail : **kerc-ka@nic.in** Website : **htttps://kerc.karnataka.gov.in**

No: KERC/KEGC/KEDC/2024-25/1687 Date: 13.03.2025

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Sub: Draft Karnataka Electricity Grid Code (KEGC) and Distribution Code (KEDC) 2024.

The draft Regulations on the above subject was published in the Official Gazette of Karnataka on 23.01.2025 and the same is also made available on the KERC's website **https://kerc.karnataka.gov.in**

The Commission has scheduled a public hearing in the matter on **01.04.2025 at 3.00 p.m.** in the Court Hall of the Commission. Interested persons may appear in person before the Commission and may make oral submissions thereon.

DIPR/DD-C.P/5638/KSMCA/2024-25 **Sd/- Secretary**

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

CUB TRUST AND EXCELLENCE SINCE 1904

Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar,
Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id :** crmd@cityunionbank.in,
Ph : 0435-2432322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746

RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recover of a sum of **Rs.68,09,011/- (Rupees Sixty Eight Lakh Nine Thousand and Eleven only)** as on **09-03-2025** together with further interest to be charged from **10-03-2025** onwards and other expenses, any other dues to the Bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) M/s. Muddu Communications, No.119, Railway Gate Road, Patharapalya, Mysore Road, Bangalore - 560039. Also at M/s. Muddu Communications, No.4, Basavalingappa (Janatha) Colony, Nayandahally Mysore Road, Bangalore - 560039. No.2) Mr. P. Muniramu, S/o. Mr. Puttappa, No.4, Basavalingappa Colony, Nayandahally, Bangalore - 560039. No.3) Mrs. M. Mahalakshmi, W/o. Mr. P. Muniramu, No.4, Basavalingappa Colony, Nayandahally, Bangalore - 560039. No.4) Mr. Seetharamaiah, S/o. Mr. Puttiah, No.4, Janatha Colony, Nayandahally, Mysore Road, Bangalore - 560039.**

Notes:- (1) That our **109 - Bengaluru-Koramangala Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR: 501812080062995) dated **31-03-2020** requested by No.1 of you represented by No.2 of you as Proprietor for which Nos.2 & 3 of you stood as Co-Obligants and No.4 of you stood as Guarantor for the facility for a Total Amount of **Rs.2,70,000/-** at a ROI of **16.50%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **31-05-2021** and the outstanding balance as on **09-03-2025** is **Rs.5,39,588/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **10-03-2025** till the date of realization.

(2) That our **109 - Bengaluru - Koramangala Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (FITL - ADHOC: 501912090016192) dated **04-09-2020** requested by No.1 of you for the facility for a Total Amount of **Rs.1,77,000/-** at a ROI of **14.50%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **31-05-2021** and the outstanding balance as on **09-03-2025** is **Rs.3,31,511/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **10-03-2025** till the date of realization.

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank
(Property Owned by Mr. Seetharamaiah, S/o. Mr. Puttiah)

All that piece and parcel of the Property, Bearing KK.No.997/968 situated at Gangondanahalli, Lawyerapalya, Yeswanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, Measuring:- East to West 60 feet and North to South 45 feet , Along with 1.5 Square Sheet House and Bounded on the:- East by - Road, West by - Property of Mr. Munithayappa, South by - Portion of Property belonging to the Seller and North by - Road.

Reserve Price : Rs.50,00,000/-
(Rupees Fifty Lakh only)

RE-AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
03-04-2025	**City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Koramangala Branch,** 92, Z Square, Ground Floor, Jyothi Nivas College Road, Industrial Layout, 5th Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru, Bengaluru Urban-560034. Telephone No.080-25630439, Cell No.9342874657.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale:
(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself / herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Koramangala Branch, 92, Z Square, Ground Floor, Jyothi Nivas College Road, Industrial Layout, 5th Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru, Bengaluru Urban - 560034. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 12.00 Noon** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No.080-25630439, Cell No.9342874657. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever- there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place : Kumbakonam, Date : 12-03-2025 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN - L65110TN1904PLC001287,**
Telephone No. 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

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Canara Bank

A Government of India Undertaking

ARM Branch - II, 2nd Floor, Circle Office, Spencer Towers, No. 86, MG Road, Bangalore - 560001
Ph No. 25310099, 080-25310181, E-mail - cb6298@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

(Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrowers(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the ARM Branch II, Bangalore of Canara Bank, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ARM Branch II, Bangalore will be sold "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrowers. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below.

Name of Borrowers and Guarantors	Total Liabilities	Details and full description of the property	Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price & Earnest Money Deposit [EMD] Date & Time	Incremental Value at Bid
1) M/s. Aishwaryagiri Constructions Pvt Ltd No.1/4, Unit No F-2,2nd Floor, 10th Cross, 4th Main Rd, Mc Layout, Bengaluru-560040 **Also At:** M/s.aishwaryagiri Constructions Pvt Ltd, No.236,ews,2nd Stage,2nd Main, 5th Cross,khb Colony,basaveshwarnagar, Bangalore-560079 **2) G. Jayaramaiah** S/o Giriyappa, No 236, 5th Cross, 2nd Stage 2nd Main, K.H.B.Colony, Basaveswara Nagar, Bengaluru-560079 **3) Mr.shivakumar** S/o Giriyappa, No 236, 5th Cross, 2nd Stage 2nd Main, K.H.B.Colony, Basaveswara Nagar, Bengaluru-560079 **Also At:** Mr.shivakumar S/o Giriyappa No 147,4th Cross,jothinagar Chandra Layoutbangalore-560072	Rs. **48,95,36,324.96/-** (Rupees Forty eight crore nity five lakhs thirty six thousand three hundred thirty four & ninety six paise)as on 30.06.2024 plus further interest thereon and other expenses with direct and indirect liabilities due to Canara Bank from M/s Aishwaryagiri Constructions Pvt Ltd rep.by Directors/ Guarantors/ mortgagors Mr. G Jayaramaiah and Mr.Shivakumar	All that piece and parcel of the immovable property (land & building) bearing Municipal no.101, New PID no.165-W0115-19 (Old PID no.56-107-101) Yellappa Garden, Katriguppa, Ganesh Mandir Bangalore earlier Municipal no.101 (still earlier House list no 143, Site no 5) and 100/A carved out of asst. no 17 of Katriguppa village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 55 feet in total 3300 Sqft with building and **bounded as follows East by** : Road **West by :** Private Property **North by :** Private Property **South by :** Property no 100	28.03.2025 Time 12.30AM to 01.00PM	**Reserve Price:** 6,33,00,000/- Lakhs **EMD:** 63,30,000/- Lakhs Before **27.03.2025 up to 5.00 pm**	1) Multiples of Rs.2,00,000/- **Encumbrance(s):** Not Known to the Bank

Other terms and conditions

a. Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website https://baanknet.com/ Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.
b. The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer.
c. The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process.
d. EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (Baanknet) portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan.
e. After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before 27.03.2025-5.00 PM, to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand OR Email.
i. Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No.
ii. Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount.
iii. Bid Form.
The intending bidders should register their names at portal https://baanknet.com/and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E-auction from the service provider, M/s.PSB Alliance (Baanknet) - e- mail: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com
EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD shall not carry any interest.
f. Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of Rs.2,00,000/-.The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
g. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code: CNRB0006298.
h. For sale proceeds of Rs.50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty lacs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank.
i. All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges etc. As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only.
j. Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof.
k. In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach Canara Bank Circle office, Bengaluru or Canara Bank ARM II Branch, Bengaluru, who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements.
l. Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area dues, etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank.
For further details contact Ranjan Kumar, Chief Manager, Canara Bank , ARM Branch-2- (080-25310181) e-mail id – cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s.PSB Alliance(Baanknet) - e- mail: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com

Special Instruction/Caution :

Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back –up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully. The property will not be sold below the Reserve Price.

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 13.03.2025

Sd/-, Authorized Officer
Canara Bank

Injured head coach Dravid in RR camp on crutches

Despite sustaining a leg injury in a local league match, Rajasthan Royals head coach Rahul Dravid attended the team's pre-season training session. In a video shared by the franchise, Dravid was seen making his first appearance at the Royals' camp, arriving in a golf cart before switching to crutches for mobility.

Perks of the costliest IPL tickets: Hospitality, free jerseys and more

CSK & RCB yet to officially start ticket sales while DC will open their general sale on Friday

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @Chennai

BEER, hard liquor, AC hospitality and free jerseys are some of the perks available for fans who are willing to shell out five-digit sums to watch Indian Premier League (IPL) games in the flesh this season.

Chennai Super Kings and Royal Challengers Bengaluru are yet to officially start ticket sales while Delhi Capitals will put their tickets on general sale on Friday. Each of the other seven franchises have commenced ticket sales on a phased manner. According to the data accessed by the daily, Lucknow and Ahmedabad will be the two venues with the least expensive tickets (₹499). The 1,00,000 lakh plus Narendra Modi Stadium has ticket sales beginning at ₹499 for the match against Punjab Kings on March 25.

On the other end of the spectrum, one of the costliest tickets, at least at the time of going to press, is for the game between Rajasthan and Chennai in Guwahati on March 30. The priciest ticket will set you back at least ₹35000. In return, you will be treated to 'open air seating, 5-star hospitality with AC Dining'.

Fans enjoy the match from hospitality stands during 2024 IPL season | SPORTZPICS

Teams	Ticket-rates	Perks for costliest ticket
Lucknow	`499 to `20,000	Beer, hard liquor and full hospitality
Mumbai	`999 to `21,000	AC hospitality with F & B (free t-shirts for fanzone tickets)
*Rajasthan	`2200 to `20,000	5-Star hospitality with AC dining
Kolkata	`900 to `15,000	Hospitality but no beer
Hyderabad	`750 to `30,000	Beer, hard liquor and food (jersey for a pair of tickets)
Gujarat	`499 to `20,000	Unlimited premium hospitality
Punjab	`1,500 to `12,000	Food, alcohol and soft drinks

*This is only for the game against Kolkata (different rates for Chennai match)

List according to data available on the teams' official ticket booking partners

PL-style ticket pricing?

Interestingly, Rajasthan, who play two 'home' fixtures in Guwahati before they go to Jaipur, may have taken a leaf out of several Premier League sides apropos ticket-pricing strategies. Whenever the likes of Liverpool or Manchester United come to town, clubs are known to mark up ticket rates because of the visitors being a premium side (they are officially called as 'Category A').

If Chennai's fans have to shell out well in excess of ₹30000 to watch their team (or just over ₹4300 for the cheapest tickets), Kolkata Knight Riders' fans won't have any such issues. They may be the defending champions but for their visit of Guwahati, scheduled for March 26, one ticket can be had for ₹2200, while the most expensive is set at ₹20000.

Jersey for a pair of tickets

Sunrisers Hyderabad, whose fans could again be in for a batting treat courtesy the likes of Travis Head and Abhishek Sharma, are one of the very few franchises to offer both beer and hard liquor as part of the package in the premium hospitality seats.

As long as fans are willing to part with ₹30000, they will get 'food, beer and hard liquor'. They are also in line to get a free jersey as long as they buy two tickets. The second most expensive tickets — ₹22000 — will not be eligible for hard liquor but the other perks will be part of the deal.

MI vs CSK already sold out

According to available data, Mumbai Indians will be the only other franchise to hand out free t-shirts for pricy tickets but there's a catch. It's only applicable as part of the exclusive fanzones in place at the Wankhede Stadium (part of the Sachin Tendulkar and Dilip Vengsarkar stands).

As of this moment, the marquee match between Mumbai Indians and Chennai Super Kings, scheduled for April 20, is already sold out but there are tickets for each of the other five games (on viagogo, a reselling website, a ₹20000 ticket can be had for ₹3,19,447 a pop.

Comparing ticket prices with last year, it's more or less the same. RCB, who unveiled a dynamic pricing model which helped ticket rates breach the ₹50000 barrier in 2024, could yet set new records.

Gujarat & Litchfield's dream run comes to end in Mumbai

KALYANI MANGALE @Chennai

IN the depths of the internet, specifically on Instagram, lies an account that identifies itself as a "Fruit and Vegetable Shop." The bio of this account helps one make sense of that identification. It reads, "Some very raw produce here..." and the account is called 'philms by phoebs'. And yes, it is run by Australian international Phoebe Litchfield. The account with just over 100 followers is where Litchfield is not a dual sports prodigy who took the world by storm at the age of 15 or the one who is the youngest full-time captain in the Women's Big Bash League (WBBL). It's just the place where the 21-year-old is just a goofy college kid.

"God, I forgot about that one. I haven't done much on it recently," Litchfield told this daily before the playoffs of the Women's Premier League in Mumbai for Gujarat Giants and she had a good reason behind it. "I have just been too busy. But, I'm studying media and comms at University and doing a kind of film degree in that. I just keep practicing with my camera. A bit of creativity on tour, but also at home. That's pretty much how it came about," she added.

Outside of this still developing skill, Litchfield has been sensational at her day job since her international debut, which happened to be in India at the end of 2022. And she still pinches herself on how she made it into the top order of one of the best teams in women's cricket at just 19. "I was surprised when I got picked up in the Aussie stuff. The top-order there has been just unbelievable, and they've been so successful for a long period. It was pretty much Rachael Haynes retiring and Meg Lanning stepping away that made a spot for me. Credit to domestic structures in Australia that allowed me to come in seamlessly," she said.

Phoebe Litchfield in action against Mumbai Indians on Thursday| BCCI

Growing up, the left-handed batter had her sporting calendar packed. Cricket took over most of the summer, and once the summer got over and cricket kits got packed, a field hockey pitch became Litchfield's second home. When the time came, Litchfield chose cricket over hockey for her international career, but she believes some of the technical skills she has learned from hockey still help her in cricket. Known for her switch hits, Litchfield believes that hockey has played a role in establishing the base for that particular skill, which is a rare commodity in women's cricket. "Whether that relates to cricket or not, I do find a bit of my reverses and then the ability to move laterally, sprinting, all that stuff came on through hockey. The hockey swing, I guess, carries over to the switch hit. Sometimes I make it look a bit silly, but more often than not, I can execute it like I want to, which is nice." With Gujarat making it to the playoff of the WPL for the first time after remaining the wooden spoon of the competition over the first two seasons, Litchfield was ecstatic to see her side finish third after the group stage. "I think we have gotten better. In recent times, we probably haven't performed as well as we wanted to. But I also believe the biggest difference has been the domestic talent. The revelation of Kashvee (Gautam) coming through. Obviously she was injured last year but has offered a massive upper hand for us," she added.

The topsy-turvy season for Gujarat Giants came to an end when they went down against Mumbai Indians on Thursday at the Brabourne Stadium in Mumbai. With the help from international duo Natalie Sciver-Brunt (77) and Hayley Mattews (77), Mumbai reached 213/4 as Gujarat didn't help their cause by dropping multiple catches. In the chase, despite some contribution from Litchfield (31), the target was too far as Gujarat's hopes came down crashing. However, the team and Litchfield do have a few lessons to take from this dream run for a team dubbed the wooden spoon of the competition. **Brief scores:** MI 213/4 in 20 ovs (Sciver-Brunt 77, Matthews 77; Gibson 2/40) **bt** GG 166/10 in 19.2 ovs (Gibson 34, Litchfield 31; Matthews 3/31).

Bumrah should not cut pace, bowl in short spells: McGrath

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @Chennai

FORMER Australian pace legend Glenn McGrath believed that the IPL starting from March 22 would be exciting as usual. All teams have a fresh look with their new acquisitions. Chennai Super Kings as usual had bid well and have assembled a quality side. McGrath seemed particularly interested with the Delhi side with whom he was associated with for a while. Delhi have the likes of KL Rahul, Mitchell Starc, Faf du Plessis, T Natarajan, Axar Patel, Tristian Stubbs, Karun Nair, Mukesh Kumar, Kuldeep Yadav, Tristian Stubbs, Jake Fraser-MCGurk. They will be coached by Hemang Badani, who is a successful coach in the T20 format both at the domestic and International leagues.

"Delhi team looks good. They have many experienced guys (Starc, Faf). After seeing the names in the squad, they could be considered dark horse of the tournament," said McGrath, who is the Director of Coaching at the MRF Pace Foundation and in the city to impart training along with head coach M Senthilnathan. Jasprit Bumrah, one of the big names in the IPL has been away from action since January this year and his return in IPL is likely to be delayed, as per reports. Bumrah's back injury has sparked serious concerns about his long-term future, with former New Zealand pacer Shane Bond cautioning that another setback in the same area "could be a career-ender". Bumrah is currently undergoing rehabilitation at the BCCI's Centre of Excellence in Bengaluru. Several fast bowlers like Imran Khan and Dennis Lillee had suffered injuries and later decided to cut their pace and relied on movement and swing to prolong their career. "I am not sure whether he will be effective if he cuts down on pace. He should continue to bowl the speeds that he normally does. Playing all the formats is tough. He needs adequate rest. And a bowler knows best how much rest he should take. He knows his body well. I feel even while bowling for longevity sake he must be used in short spells," suggested McGrath after a video analysis session. "If you take the India vs Australia Test series Down Under, you take Bumrah out of that series, it could probably be very one-sided. I know the scoreline was 3-1, but if he had been fit to bowl in that second innings in the last Test, you just never know. But he's the type of bowler that's unique," added McGrath. Some of the top fast bowlers in the world have been requesting ICC to lift the saliva ban that came into force just after the Covid pandemic. However, for McGrath it is not the issue of saliva but other foreign ingredients like mint in it. "I think it's not so much saliva that's the issue. It's if there's sucking on mints (sweets) or other things. And that's the issue. I have no issues with using saliva on the ball, as long as there's nothing else being used first," said McGrath. **Full story: newindianexpress.com**

Players to be penalised for age fraud

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

IN order to protect genuine athletes, the sports ministry has launched another set of code that can help curb age-fraud and uphold the integrity of sports competitions across the country. Age fraud had been a menace in Indian sports and despite rules and directives of the sports ministry the malaise seemed to have been running deep. The Draft National Code Against Age Fraud in Sports (NCAAFS) 2025 will also hold significance for the sports ministry that is running one of the largest grassroots programme for youth -- the Khelo India Youth and University Games.

The new code has been upon the ministry's website calling all parties and stakeholders to participate with suggestions if any. Some of the highlight of the draft code is stricter monitoring and punishment for athletes indulging in such malpractice. Introduction of a digital database where all age-verified records would be stored to appointing integrity/compliance officers are the other mechanisms that would be in place to curb the menace.

According to a statement, the sports ministry would want to enhance transparency and accountability in sports governance. According to the draft code, "all athletes must submit three mandatory documents during the registration process. Upon verification, the athlete's age will be securely recorded in a centralized digital database, permanently locking their verified age to prevent any future manipulations."

The code has also outlined severe and uniform penalties for sportspersons indulging in age frauds. This will not restrict to sportspersons alone but also the coaches. "Strict penalties will be enforced for age fraud violations. Athletes found guilty on the first violation will face a two-year ban from all competitions, along with forfeiture of any titles or medals won. A second violation will result in a lifetime ban and initiation of legal proceedings under the penal code. Coaches and other officials found guilty will also face suspension and debarment from their roles," was one of the highlighted point in the statement.

According to the draft code, "NSFs shall take strict action against coaches and officials found facilitating or concealing age fraud, including: i. Immediate suspension pending the completion of an inquiry and a two-year ban for a first confirmed violation following the inquiry; ii. Lifetime debarment from any role within the NSF for second violation" The ministry is also encouraging whistle blowers to reveal about such frauds committed by the players. The code says that a secure and confidential platform will be created for stakeholders to report cases of age fraud anonymously. The ministry is even planning to reward and incentivise it.

Lakshya stuns Christie, Sat-Chi concede match

AGENCIES @Birmingham

INDIA'S Lakshya Sen stunned world no. 2 Jonatan Christie of Indonesia in a superlative display to enter the men's singles quarterfinals of the All England Championships here on Thursday. Lakshya just took 36 minutes to beat Christie 21-13, 21-10. The win reduced Lakshay's head-to-head record against Christie to 3-4.

Lakshya Sen won 21-13, 21-10 against world no 2 Jonatan Christie

Malvika ousted

Even as Lakshya stormed into the quarterfinals, India's women's singles campaign ended with Malvika Bansod losing in straight games against two-time world champion Akane Yamaguchi of Japan in the pre-quarterfinals. The world no. 3 Yamaguchi beat world no.28 Malvika 21-16, 21-13.

Satwik-Chirag concede match

Seventh seed Satwiksairaj RankiReddy and Chirag Shetty conceded their pre-quarterfinal match against Hao Nan Xie and Wei Han Zeng of China midway after the Indian pair was trailing 16-21, 2-2 due to a past back injury of Chirag that flared up.

Mixed doubles pair also loses

The Indian mixed doubles pair of Rohan Kapoor and Ruthvika Shivani Gadde also crashed out in the round of 16, losing to fifth seeded Chinese pair of Zhe Feng Yan and Xin WEI Ya 10-21, 12-21.

Real reach quarters amid controversy

AGENCIES @Paris

JULIAN Alvarez had his penalty in the shoot-out controversially disallowed as Real Madrid beat rivals Atletico to reach the Champions League quarter-finals Wednesday while Arsenal, Aston Villa and Borussia Dortmund also advanced. Failures from the spot defined the second leg of the Madrid derby last-16 tie including a remarkable decision to rule out Alvarez's kick for Atletico as Real won 4-2 on penalties after a 2-2 draw on aggregate.

The shoot-out hinged on Alvarez's second penalty for Atletico, which he converted. However, a VAR check indicated that he had touched the ball with his standing foot as he slipped before striking to score. The penalty was disallowed and while Lucas Vazquez later missed for Real, Marcos Llorente hit the bar for Atletico, and it was Antonio Rudiger's effort which squirmed in that proved to be the winner.

Real Madrid's Kylian Mbappe (C) and his teammates celebrate their win | AFP

Asensio stars again for Villa

There are two Premier League clubs into the last eight, with Aston Villa beating Club Brugge 3-0 (6-1 aggregate).

RO okays electoral roll without Thakur's name

INDRANEEL DAS @Chennai

IN another setback for former sports minister Anurag Thakur, returning officer for the Boxing Federation of India election RK Gauba, former Delhi High Court judge, has ruled that the Electoral College prepared and published by its president Ajay Singh is final. This means that the name of Thakur, whose name was forwarded by the Himachal Pradesh Boxing Association (HPBA), stays deleted. Thus making him ineligible to contest elections of the BFI.

The BFI secretary had taken out another list late on Wednesday with Thakur's name on it. The dramatic development took place late on Thursday, which also means that taking the matter to Delhi High Court would not be possible because of Holi holidays before the deadline for nominations, which ends at 6pm on March 16. It needs to be seen what the Thakur faction does now.

The ruling of the RO was on expected lines because in most of the National Sports Federation and even the Indian Olympic Association, the president has sweeping powers and can overrule secretary's list.

The RO said in his order that having heard all concerned parties, the list prepared by BFI secretary Hemanta Kalita cannot be acted upon because of the unambiguous rules vesting in him the "overall office supervision" over the working of the BFI. "The present incumbent has prepared his own Electoral College list but presented it to the president. Since the president had a different take on some of the nominations, the secretary general at best put up his views before the president..." The RO said that according to the BFI rules and regulations and Model election Code, "primacy to the views of president over that of the secretary general in the nominations to the Electoral College."

The RO had also rejected Delhi Amateur Boxing Association representation to the Electoral College.

EXPRESS READ

England batter Brook banned from IPL for two seasons

NEW DELHI: England batter Harry Brook has been banned from the Indian Premier League for two seasons following his last minute pullout from the 2025 edition. Earlier, he had made himself unavailable for the second straight season and apologised 'unreservedly' to his franchise Delhi Capitals and their supporters.

NRAI names 36-member team for Junior World Cup in May

NEW DELHI: Paris Olympian Raiza Dhillon is part of a strong 36-member Indian junior squad announced by the National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) for the ISSF Junior World Cup scheduled in Suhl, Germany, from May 19 to 27. The squad will participate in 15 events, including three mixed team events.

Former Aussie spinner MacGill convicted in cocaine case

SYDNEY: Ex-Aussie spinner Stuart MacGill was found guilty of involvement in a cocaine deal, but cleared of participating in large-scale drug supply. A Sydney District Court jury acquitted him of facilitating a one-kg cocaine deal in April 2021. However, he was convicted of the charge of taking part in drug supply.

India top medal tally in World Para-Athletics Grand Prix

NEW DELHI: India topped the medal tally with a total haul of 134 (45 gold, 40 silver & 49 bronze) at the World Para-Athletics Grand Prix. Around 150 Indians had competed in the event while around 100 were from other 19 countries. India has signed a four-year contract with the world body to host the GP annually till 2028.

Facebook parent Meta Platforms Inc said on Thursday it will begin testing its crowd-sourced fact-checking programme, Community Notes, on March 18. It will initially be based on a ratings system used by X

EVOLUTION OF DELIVERY SERVICES

FROM WALKING TO USING DRONES AND ROBOTS

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

SKYE Air Mobility, a leading drone operator in India, has launched the country's first ever all-women drone delivery team. This initiative showcases the capabilities of women drone pilots and Skye Walkers, who successfully executed seamless, end-to-end deliveries of essential goods—including medicines, groceries, and even iPhones.

While the primary goal was to promote women's participation in drone operations, the initiative also highlights the rapid evolution of the logistics and delivery industry over the past decade. Advancements in technology, improved internet connectivity, and the rise of e-commerce giants have reshaped last-mile delivery, making it faster, more efficient, and highly accessible.

Today, everything from flowers and food to medical supplies and money are delivered with unprecedented speed and accuracy. The post-pandemic boom has further accelerated this transformation, with last-mile delivery witnessing an exponential surge in demand.

The evolution of delivery

Before modern technology, delivery services relied heavily on human and animal power. Goods and messages were transported manually, making walking the most basic form of delivery, especially for short distances in densely populated areas.

Cycles and early vehicles

The invention of the bicycle revolutionised urban deliveries, increasing both speed and efficiency. Cyclists became a common sight, delivering letters, small packages, and goods. This was followed by horse-drawn carriages and carts, which allowed heavier loads to be transported across longer distances. As technology advanced, early motorised vehicles gradually replaced animal-powered transport, making deliveries faster and more scalable. However, these systems still had limitations—they were labour-intensive, geographically restricted, and dependent on human effort.

E-bikes and scooters

After bicycles, e-bikes and scooters have become a common sight for urban deliveries. These vehicles offer speed, agility, and efficiency in congested areas. Their compact size allows couriers to navigate narrow streets, bypass traffic, and reduce delivery times significantly.

With rising fuel costs and a push for sustainability, businesses are increasingly adopting electric two-wheelers. Industries such as food delivery, e-commerce, and courier services are leveraging e-bikes and scooters to meet growing consumer demand for fast and reliable deliveries.

Drones for remote and urgent deliveries

With the advancement of technology, drones have emerged as a game-changer in delivery services. These aerial vehicles have transformed the way goods are delivered, especially in remote areas and urgent situations. Since they fly over traffic and obstacles, they are significantly faster than traditional delivery methods.

Many e-commerce and logistics companies are integrating drones to speed up deliveries. Drones can travel long distances in minutes, making them ideal for time-sensitive deliveries. With smart navigation systems, they find the best routes and avoid obstacles.

As drone batteries and payload capacity improve, they are expected to become a mainstream delivery solution, offering faster, cost-effective, and efficient transport options.

Autonomous robots for local deliveries

In many cities around the world, autonomous robots are gaining popularity for local deliveries, providing a fast and contactless way to deliver items like groceries, food, and small packages.

For example, in Moscow, autonomous robots have become a common sight, moving along sidewalks and pedestrian paths to make short-distance deliveries more convenient. These robots are powered by AI, cameras, and sensors, enabling them to detect obstacles, follow traffic rules, and reach customers safely. Since they do not require a human driver, they help companies reduce costs and operate 24/7 without breaks. Many restaurants and delivery companies in Moscow have already adopted these robots to deliver food efficiently.

As AI and robotics technology continue to advance, autonomous delivery robots are expected to become a standard feature in urban logistics, ensuring faster, safer, and more eco-friendly deliveries.

Looking ahead

The delivery sector will continue to evolve with advancements in artificial intelligence, robotics, and sustainable transportation. Expect to see wider adoption of drone deliveries, autonomous vehicles, and other innovative technologies in the near future.

Google unveils Gemini Robotics and Gemini Robotics ER for smarter AI-powered robots

EXPRESS NEWS SERIVICE @ New Delhi

GOOGLE has launched two new AI models—Gemini Robotics and Gemini Robotics ER—designed to help robots think, move, and interact like humans. According to Google, for AI to be truly useful in the real world, it must have 'embodied reasoning' — the ability to understand, react, and take action safely in its environment, just like humans do.

What is Gemini Robotics?

Gemini Robotics is an advanced AI model that integrates vision, language, and action, enabling robots to understand commands, interact with objects, and perform tasks. Built on Gemini 2.0, it introduces physical actions as a new output, allowing robots to move and respond to their surroundings. This model focuses on three key capabilities: adaptability, interaction, and precision. It enables robots to adjust to new situations, engage naturally with people, and complete delicate tasks, such as folding paper or opening a bottle cap.

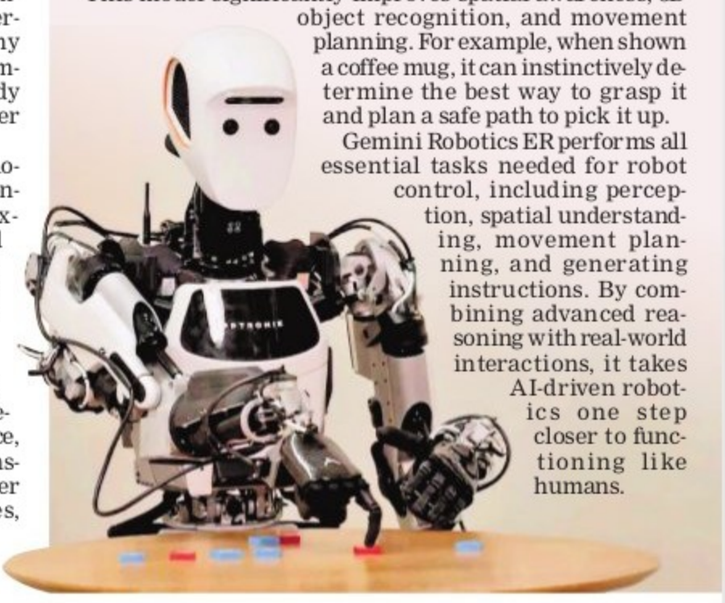
Gemini Robotics can also process natural language instructions in real time, meaning it can monitor its surroundings, detect changes, and modify its actions accordingly. This makes it particularly useful in homes, workplaces, and industrial settings.

Google emphasises that robots come in different shapes and sizes, so Gemini Robotics is designed to be flexible. It was primarily trained on the bi-arm robotic platform, ALOHA 2, but it also works with Franka arms, commonly used in research labs.

What is Gemini Robotics ER?

Alongside Gemini Robotics, Google has introduced Gemini Robotics ER, which enhances how robots understand space, objects, and motion. It is specifically designed to help engineers integrate AI with existing robotic systems, making AI-powered robots more efficient and capable. This model significantly improves spatial awareness, 3D object recognition, and movement planning. For example, when shown a coffee mug, it can instinctively determine the best way to grasp it and plan a safe path to pick it up.

Gemini Robotics ER performs all essential tasks needed for robot control, including perception, spatial understanding, movement planning, and generating instructions. By combining advanced reasoning with real-world interactions, it takes AI-driven robotics one step closer to functioning like humans.



Need AI governance task force to reduce risk: Infosys Research

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WITH many organisations transitioning from just AI experimentation to scaled deployment, there is a need to create an AI governance task force to reduce risk and also to improve accountability, said Infosys Knowledge Institute, a research arm of Infosys. In its survey, it recommended five critical steps- Accelerate agentic AI; speed up innovation; prepare employees by investing in training; adopt a product-centric mindset to support AI operating models; and also create an AI governance task force so as to become AI-first and also to generate business value from AI deployments.

Titled *Infosys AI Business Value Radar*, the survey revealed that 19% of AI use cases deliver on all their business objectives, while another 32% show promise by partially meeting their objectives.

With decline of AI costs in the future, transformational use cases will rapidly begin to deliver more effective business outcomes. It also found that white-collar and technically focused industries, such as professional services, life sciences, high tech, telecommunications, and insurance tend to achieve more success from AI. Interestingly, financial services are the only white-collar industry that ranks just below average on performance, likely due to regulatory and data modernisation challenges.

AI is not benefitting all industries equally as travel and hospitality, manufacturing, retail, and the public sector struggle to achieve consistent success.

Satish H C, executive vice-president and chief delivery officer at Infosys, said: "Enterprise AI is ready to scale. With effective use of data architecture, operating models, and employee readiness, businesses can accelerate their adoption of AI to achieve measurable success. Our research indicates that agentic AI is critical to operating model transformation. We expect this to develop significantly over the coming year to become the driving force of enterprise transformation as it reshapes business processes, operating models, and technical architectures."

When it comes to top use cases, IT, operations, and facilities are the most pursued AI use case category, with 38% of respondents implementing it. This is followed by cyber security, resilience, and software development, with 30% pursuing these categories. The report also said that companies that have taken initial steps to address AI can nearly double their likelihood of success with AI deployments by fully investing in workforce AI readiness.

AI can help you prepare for Zoom meetings

zoom Workplace with AI Companion

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THE next time you have a Zoom meeting with someone whom you have already interacted with in the past, Zoom's AI Companion can help you prepare for the meeting by looking at your emails and documents and summarise it for you. After the meeting, it can provide you with all the details.

Velchamy Sankarlingam, President of Product and Engineering at Zoom

Zoom recently launched its AI Companion 2.0, the next generation of the company's AI assistant. Velchamy Sankarlingam, president of product and engineering at Zoom, told this paper that Zoom is not just about meetings. The other products include Zoom Phone, Zoom Chat, Zoom Whiteboard, and Zoom Docs.

"The AI platform is basically the foundation for all of these. So, it can go across all of them," he said, adding the next big thing will be AI Studio.

"We give our customers the ability to integrate with more systems. Because if you look at AI, the more data and more connections it has, the more intelligent and more accurate it becomes," he said.

Talking about Zoom Phone, which was launched in the Maharashtra Telecom Circle last year and in Chennai recently, he said there are a lot of modern capabilities on the phone servers.

"Everything we have done for our meetings, all those capabilities will be available for the Zoom Phone service as well," he said.

Suppose two persons are on a call, one can simply hit a button on the Zoom Phone saying 'summarize' and it will summarize everything and one can extract tasks from voicemail, too. Talking about Zoom Clips, he said the clip is a product where you can record a video and then publish it. For instance, one can write a script and then Clips basically create the video of you talking about the script. It reduces a lot of work that you need to perform.

Sankarlingam, who has been through the internet revolution, said people did not realize the internet until Netscape launched its browser. Similarly, AI has also been there for a very long time and Zoom already had many AI capabilities, he said, pointing out that with ChatGPT, people now realised what AI can do.

According to him, models are now getting better and so the quality and ability of tasks that could be performed by AI. "There are tonnes of industries where you can actually use this," he said. Zoom's AI-first collaboration platform with AI Companion has already proven transformative for organisations in the Indian market, including Glenmark Pharmaceuticals, Lenskart, Essar Group, Motherson, and Razorpay.

TECHNOLOGY BUZZ

Druva partners with MS to help firms protect their data

Druva, a data security provider, has announced a strategic partnership with Microsoft to help enterprises protect and secure their data against evolving cyber threats. Together, Druva and Microsoft will empower customers with cloud-native and hybrid data protection, integrated with Microsoft Azure cloud services. As enterprises expand their critical data in the cloud, Druva and Microsoft will deliver cyber resiliency to ensure business continuity, the company said. Gartner forecasts spending on public cloud services will total $723.4 billion in 2025. However, as companies integrate more cloud technologies and applications into their business, they can inadvertently widen their attack surface. Druva said its cloud-native solutions protect and secure business data. It added that customers benefit with cloud flexibility and unified data security, among others.

GenAI to drive productivity gains in fin services sector

GenAI is poised to improve productivity levels of Indian financial services by 34% to 38% by 2030 and up to 46%, specifically for banking operations, said the EY report. The study reveals 74% of financial firms have initiated proof-of-concept projects, and 11% have moved to production-level deployments. Investment in GenAI is also increasing, with 42% of organisations actively allocating budgets toward AI initiatives. They are rapidly adopting GenAI across key areas such as voice bots, email automation, business intelligence, and workflow automation. Customer service is the top priority, with 68% of firms prioritising it for GenAI implementation. These investments are already delivering measurable results: 63% have seen improved customer satisfaction levels, while 58% of firms report cost reductions, the study revealed.

iQOO seeks inputs from game developers for its new devices

iQOO, the high-performance smartphone brand from the vivo group, is deepening its commitment to mobile gaming excellence in India. The company has partnered with seven top Indian gamers—Dynamo Gaming, GamerFleet, Mortal, Payal Gaming, Scout, Shreeman Legend, and UnGraduate Gamer—to help design high-performance devices for a seamless gaming and streaming experience. These gamers will test, provide feedback, and certify all iQOO smartphones, starting with the iQOO Neo 10R, which features the Snapdragon® 8s Gen 3 processor and India's slimmest 6400mAh battery. Set to launch on March 11, 2025, the device promises exceptional gaming performance. With India's gaming market projected to hit $9.2 billion by FY'29 (Lumikai-Google report), iQOO is positioning itself as a key player in the growing Esports ecosystem.

Nothing Phone (3a) launched on Flipkart for ₹19,999

Nothing, the renowned consumer electronics brand, has announced the sale of its much-awaited Nothing Phone (3a) Series on Flipkart, starting March 11. As part of Flipkart's Guaranteed Exchange Value (GEV) program, customers can upgrade from eligible Android (2020+) and iOS (2018+) devices on the first day of the sale, ensuring the best trade-in value for their old smartphones. The Nothing Phone (3a) combines innovation with affordability, featuring a sleek transparent design, a 50MP triple-camera setup, and a Snapdragon 7s Gen 3 chipset. It boasts 8GB RAM, 256GB storage, a 6.77-inch 120Hz display, and a 5000mAh battery with 50W fast charging. Running on Android 15 (Nothing OS 3.1), it offers a bloat-free, smooth user experience. Priced at `19,999, the device brings premium features at an accessible price.